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# A COMPACT POWER SUPPLY RIGHT WHERE IT'S WANTED

Close to  
the load, yet  
out of the  
way

- ✓ NO OIL
- ✓ TOTALLY METAL  
ENCLOSED
- ✓ NO FIREPROOF VAULTS
- ✓ REMOTE MOUNTING  
UNNECESSARY
- ✓ NO LONG RUNS OF  
HEAVY COPPER



TUCKED AWAY UNDER THE EAVES at Kaiser Cargo, Inc., Shipyard No. 4, this 25-kva G-E dry-type transformer takes power from a 440-volt circuit and steps it down to operate 110- or 220-volt electric hand tools and lighting circuits, close by. The inherent safety that permitted it to be placed close to the load eliminated the need of long runs of heavy, expensive copper.

Installed right at the load, Type D transformers provide your equipment with the right voltage for its most economical operation. They are being used, profitably, from coast-to-coast in industrial plants to insulate one circuit from another and to boost or step down voltage for the most efficient operation of such equipment as motors, machine tools, welding apparatus, heat-treating furnaces, and high-current testing devices.

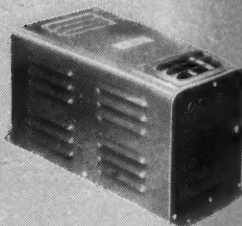
**Stay cool; save space**—Type D transformers are cooled by natural-draft ventilation. Their unique, drip-proof case, which incorporates a slanted-louver construction, aids the flow of ventilation air through the transformer coils. They can be placed against a wall or close to other units, with little or no effect on the tempera-

ture rise of the transformer. Because of this fact, considerable space can often be saved, especially when a number of these transformers are to be banked.

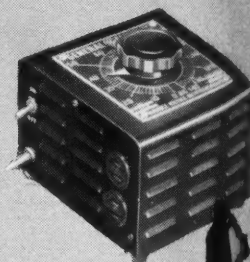
**Easy to install; maintenance negligible**—

As these transformers are small, compact, and lightweight, they are easy to install on the floor, on the wall, or anywhere you wish. Either conduit or open wiring can be used. The ease of disassembly and reassembly of case parts permits quick inspection and cleaning, when necessary. But operating records show that little or no maintenance is required. Type D transformers are available in ratings up to 100 kva, 600 volts. For further information, ask for Bulletin GEA-897. *General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y.*

## OTHER G-E AIDS TO BETTER VOLTAGE



**VOLTAGE STABILIZER**—Automatically provides a constant 115-volt supply to a given load, on circuits varying from 95 to 130 volts. Ratings from 50 to 5000 va. Ideal for precision laboratory or manufacturing processes, or built into such equipment as radio transmitters.



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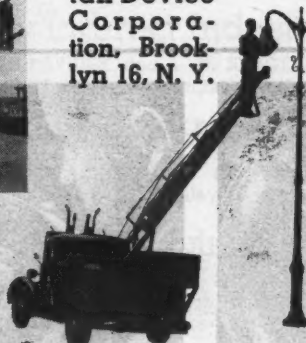
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learning to be aviation  
mechanic at LaGuardia  
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DONE SPEEDILY AND  
SAFELY**

**FROM THE  
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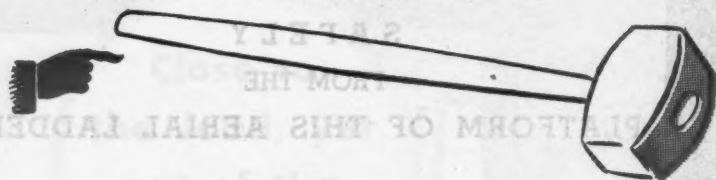
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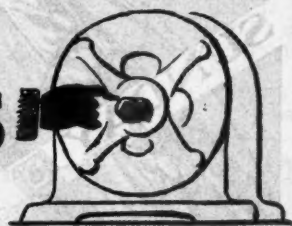
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# to get



# this off this



Allis-Chalmers' new "Magic-Grip" — *fastest mounting and demounting sheave on the market* — is removed from shaft in just 3 easy steps... saving you time, trouble, money.



**1** Remove three capscrews from bushing collar. A handy wrench — supplied with each sheave — is the only tool needed to remove Allis-Chalmers' new "Magic-Grip" from motor or machine shaft quickly and easily.



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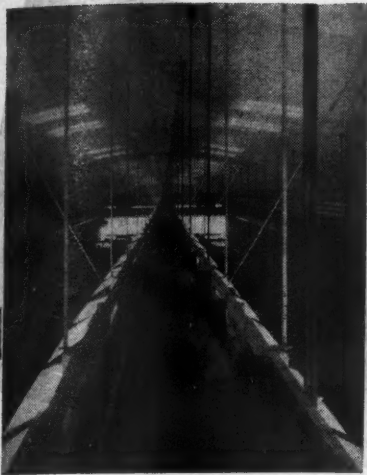
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## "MAGIC-GRIP"



## SHEAVES





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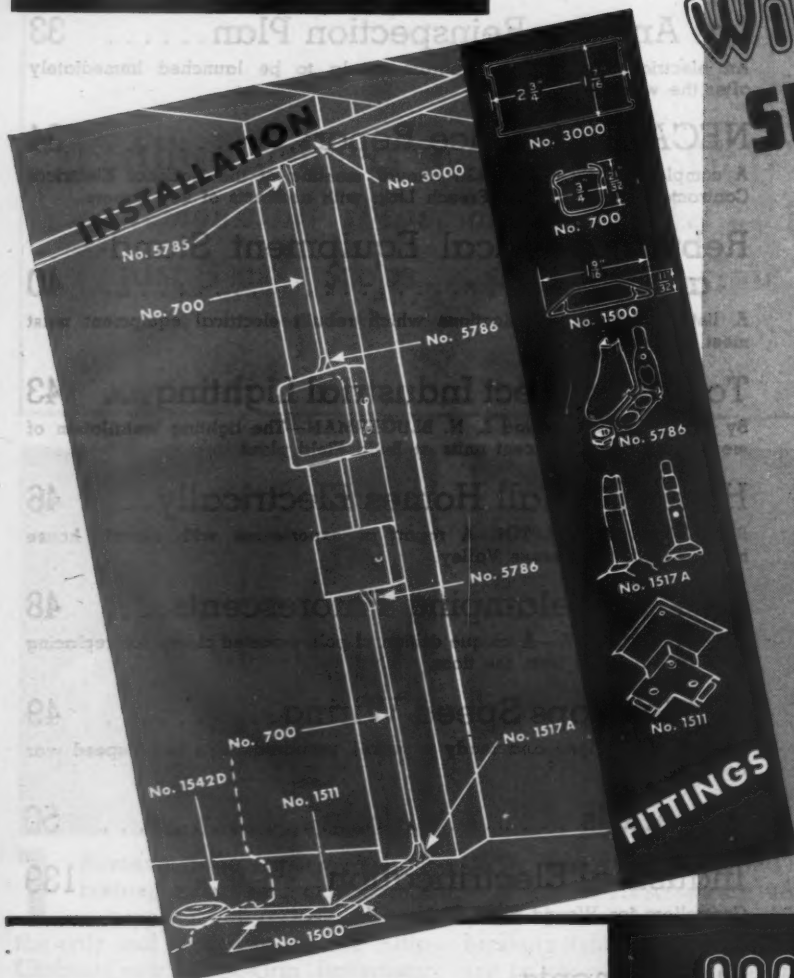
the problem

*Simplified wiring  
of small motor-  
driven machines*



the answer

## WIREMOLD SURFACE METAL RACEWAYS



● Shown in the photograph above and the diagram at the left is the wiring layout for a group of small presses. This clean, efficient, safe installation required no costly channeling of floors and eliminated drop connections from overhead wiring. It demonstrates how Wiremold Raceways interconnect one with another to meet widely varying installation needs. Here No. 3000 is used to carry sub-feeders, with take-off at each station through No. 700 to motor controls, and to No. 1500 Pancake across floor, completing connection to the machines.

Strong and safe, Wiremold Raceways are easily and quickly installed and are available, with their fittings, in a range of sizes and capacities to meet the installation needs of every type of building. Engineering data sheets covering the above installation and many others, also new Industrial Wiring Bulletins are available on request.

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# DOSE OF SALT



Encrusted with chemical salts, this Tri-Clad motor continues to drive a pump without breakdown of its insulation. In almost every industrial plant, motors are called upon to keep going under conditions which try their endurance to the limit. It may be in a plating room, or on an exhaust fan, or in a wet sub-cellar, or — as in this case — in connection with chemical processing. In emergencies, open motors may face conditions for which good engineering practice would require totally enclosed construction — conditions which tend to corrode the frame and attack the insulation. Endurance of Tri-Clad motors under such conditions results from tests like the one described below.

## Salt-spray test of **TRI-CLAD** motors gives assurance of long life in severe service

In this accelerated life test to determine the ultimate endurance of their insulation, the motors are operated to failure under one of the worst possible combinations of conditions. They are continually exposed to a 2% salt-water spray, while operating on a duty cycle of 3 minutes on and 37 minutes off. (These repeated voltage surges impose greater stress on the insulation than would continuous operation.) Tests are run on all new insulations developed, and as a production check on motors taken at random off the assembly lines. Because of their endurance under this severe test, among others, Formex\* wire and Glyptal\* bonding material were chosen for Tri-Clad insulation.

\*Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.



Left: Conical hoods cover the tanks in which these salt-spray tests are conducted.



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**TRI-CLAD  
MOTORS**

Every week 192,000 G-E employees purchase more than a million dollars' worth of War Bonds.

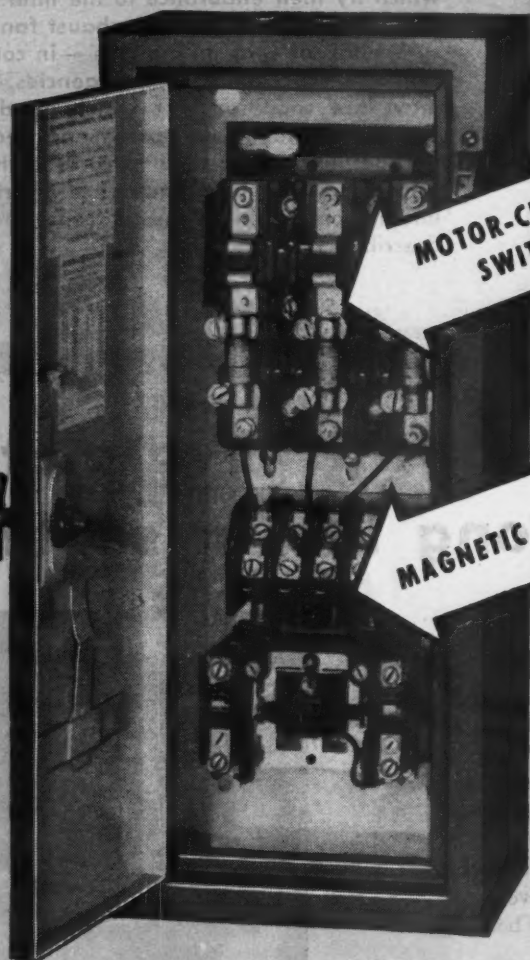
# MOTOR STARTERS

EVERY TYPE,

DEPENDABLE . . . ATTRACTIVE IN APPEARANCE

For full-voltage  
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a-c motors

YOU SAVE  
**6 WAYS**  
WITH  
COMBINATION  
STARTERS



**BOTH  
IN ONE  
UNIT**

**1. Save Ordering Time**—Instead of buying two separately mounted devices, you buy one factory co-ordinated unit that controls and protects your motor.

**2. Save Installation Time**—Users report a 50 per-cent reduction in mounting time, a 40 per-cent reduction in wiring time, as compared with the installation of two separate devices. You connect only 9 terminals—not 15.

**3. Save Man Power**—By eliminating one complete mounting job on every installation, you save valuable man power.

**4. Save Money**—Cost slightly more than two

separately mounted devices, but the difference is more than made up by the savings in wire, conduit, fittings, and installation-labor costs.

**5. Save Wall Space**—Take up less space than separately mounted devices. You can mount combination starters in small, unused spaces near the operators.

**6. Save Critical Materials**—Combination starters have less copper wire, steel conduit, and fittings than separately mounted devices

—and they save your motors, too. The fuses, or the breaker, are co-ordinated with the thermal overload relays to give complete motor protection under short-circuit or overload conditions.



# EVERY KIND, FOR EVERY MACHINE APPLICATION

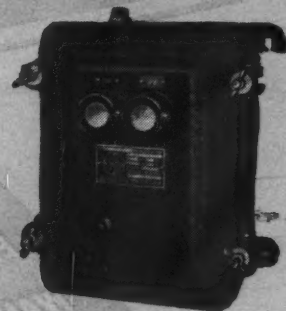
## DESIGNED TO BLEND WITH MODERN MACHINES



**Magnetic Full-voltage Starter—**  
Designed to provide long life, ease of installation, readily accessible parts for quick inspection, and the dependability requisite to modern industrial needs.



**Magnetic Full-voltage Starter—**  
Showing Selector switch mounted in the cover of a general-purpose case.

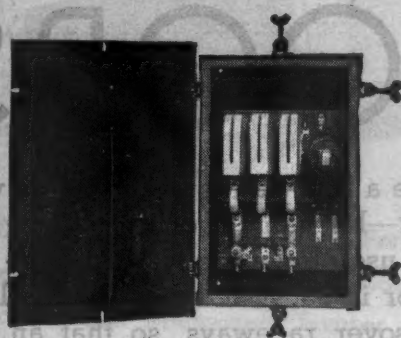


**A-c Magnetic Starter with Water-tight Case—**Wall-mounted, overload-relay reset button in cover, and push button can be added.

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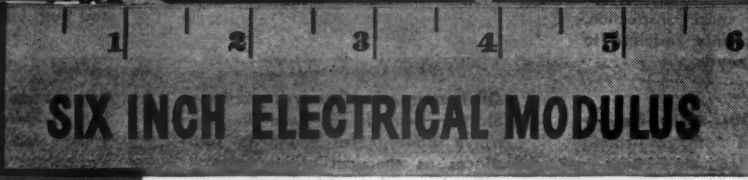
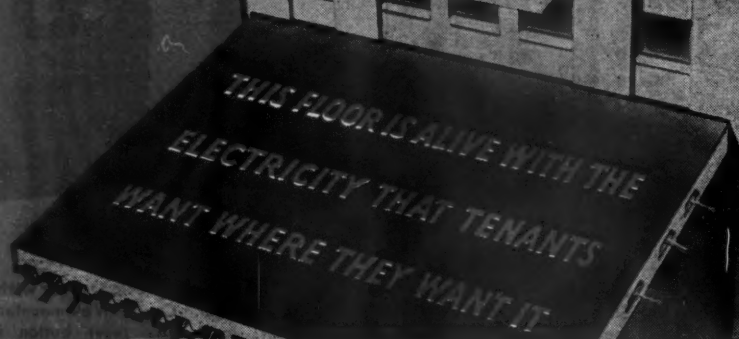
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**INDUSTRIAL CONTROL**

# GENERAL ELECTRIC

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WAR  
BONDS**



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# Q-FLOORS

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Q-Floors promote the use of electricity.

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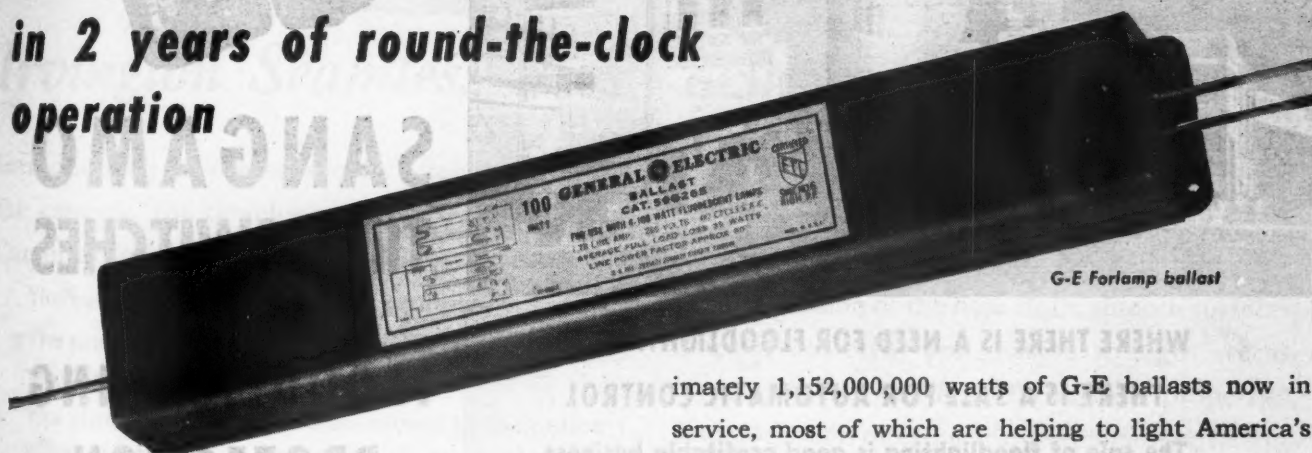
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Buy all the BONDS you can — and keep all you buy

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**WHILE THERE'S DARKNESS . . . . .**



**THERE IS**  
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Safety circuit contact is bonded to the  
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indicates the  
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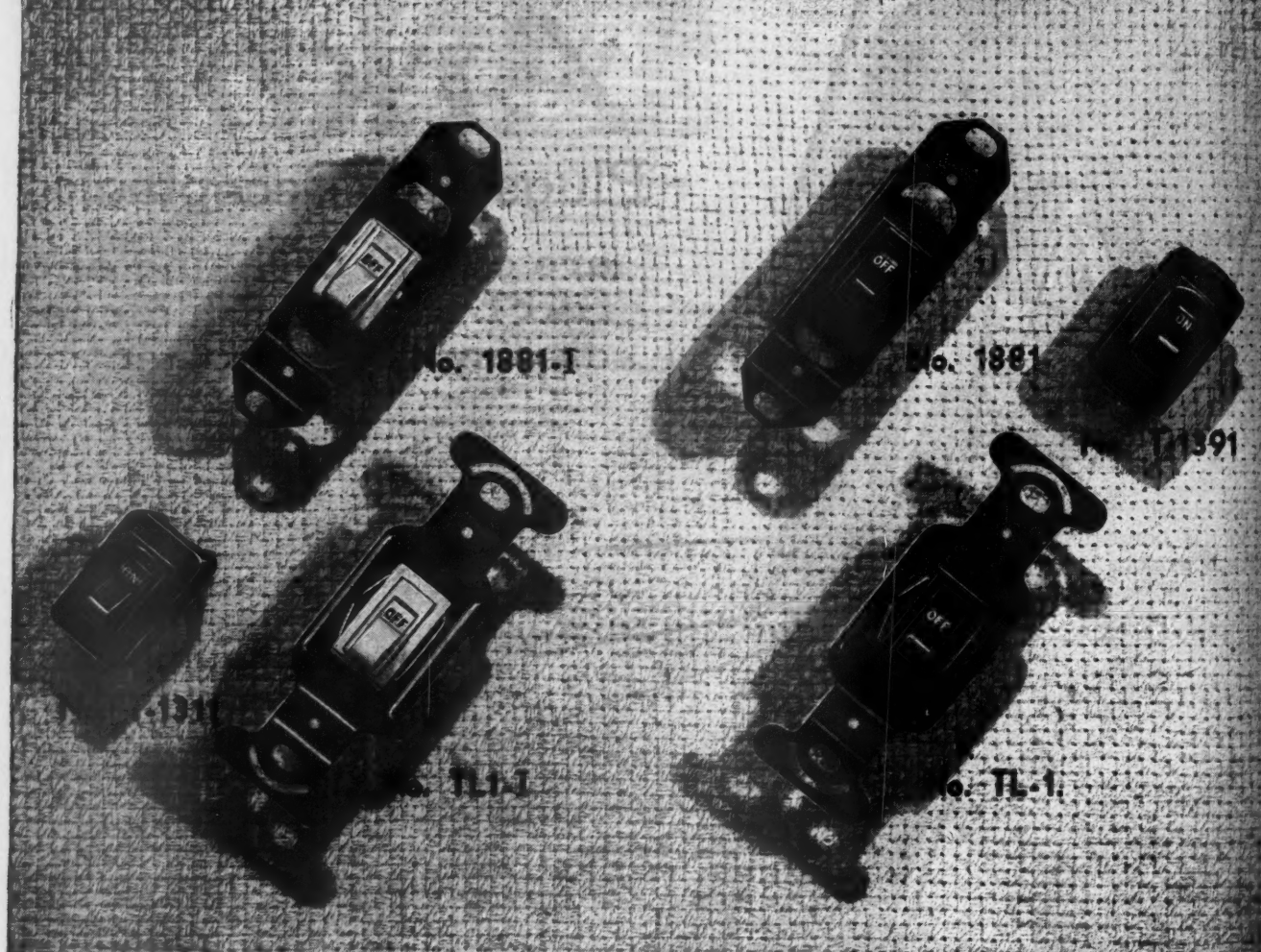
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Not only are these units outstanding in utility design—but are constructed to give longer life and to deliver more high intensity effective illumination to the lighting plane.

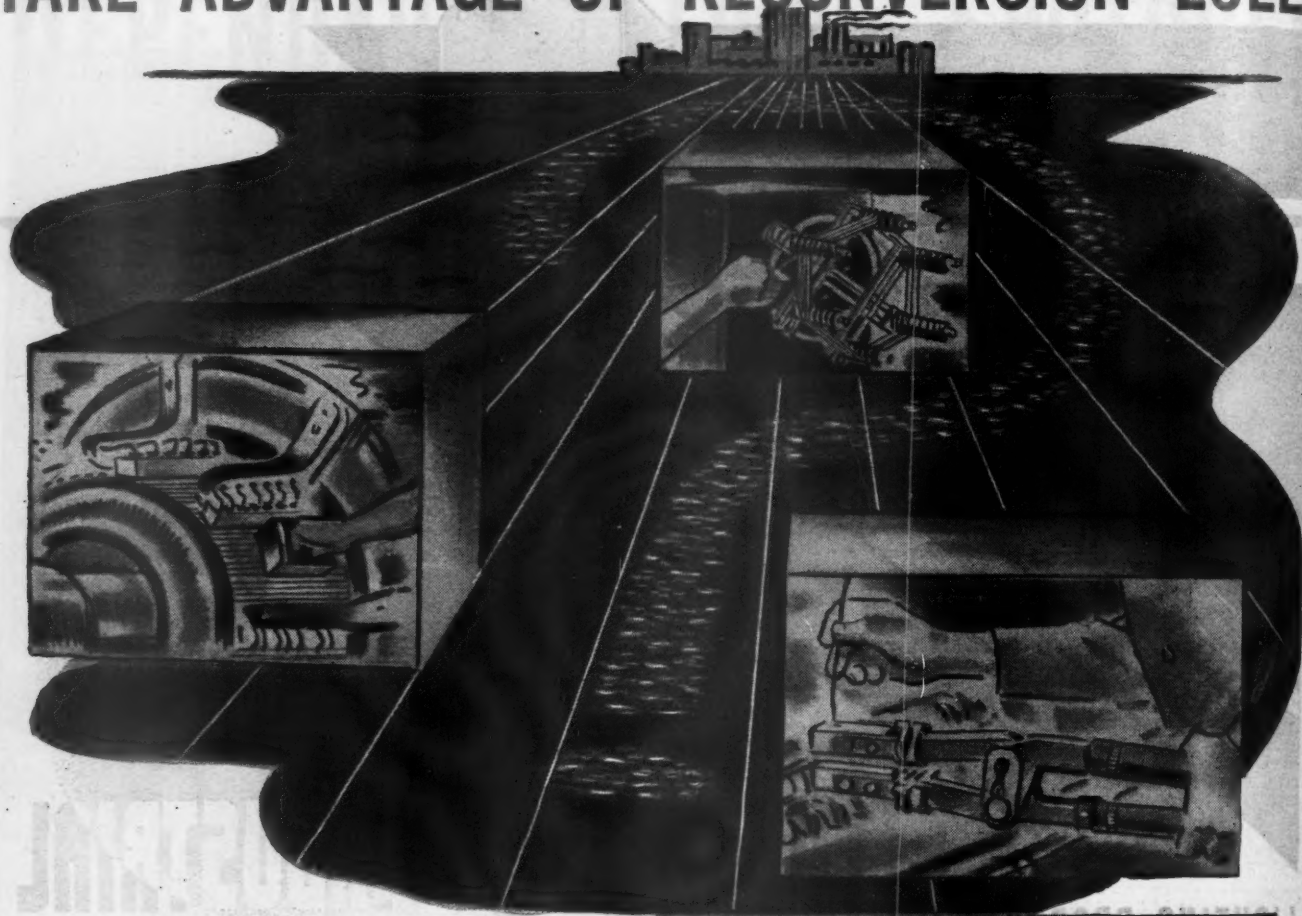
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Whether this new situation will hold seeds of catastrophe or of unprecedented opportunity will be determined by policies . . . still to be formulated.

If this concentration of power leads to a bitter struggle for supremacy, then the world will be turned into a giant munitions factory.

If it is used cooperatively to maintain order, then, I believe, the stage is set for a long era of prosperity . . . and peace.

It is time that Americans, whether of the Right or the Left, face this basic issue squarely and open-mindedly.

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No group in this country has a greater stake than have business and industry in seeing that a satisfactory Russian-American understanding is reached.

Without such an understanding there can be no reasonable hope for more than a temporary and insignificant reduction of our crushing wartime tax burden. If the threat of a clash between these two giants impends, neither bankers nor governments will run the risk of lending on a scale adequate to maintain international trade at levels necessary for our future prosperity. Potential international customers, instead of buying freely in open world markets, will be forced—as during the dangerous period introduced by Hitler in the early 1930's—into the trading camp of whichever power they fear most.

If, however, Moscow and Washington will agree on cooperative plans for maintaining the peace, American business will enjoy enormous new trade opportunities after the war.

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Russia, during the three and one-half years since it was attacked by Hitler, has conclusively proved to a doubting world that it is a top-flight military power.

Soviet railroads did not break down under the strain of war.

Regions accounting for nearly 70 per cent of Stalin's key industries were engulfed by the invading Nazis, but before they fell, Soviet management engineers performed a near miracle by transplanting entire industries a thousand miles to the Urals with the loss of as little as four months' production in many cases.

Though American planes, trucks, and medical supplies have been welcomed by Moscow, fairness demands the admission that more than 98 per cent of American production has not gone to the Russian front.

Russian planning and Russian equipment won the victories of Leningrad, Stalingrad, and the Caucasus.

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But these measures of Soviet military strength—indicative as they are of an unsuspected economic development—fail to picture in adequate detail the startling potential of the Russian market after the war.

Russia, for instance, has two and one-half times the area of the United States.

It has a population of nearly 200,000,000, and this is increasing at the rate of 2,500,000 a year.

And statistics just released show that Russia has three times as many youngsters under 16 as has the United States. This is a measure both of war potential and of a vast commercial market.

And remember that in no part of the world before the war was per capita production rising as rapidly as in the Soviet Union.

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German armies occupied a region in Russia roughly equivalent to the territory in the United States north of Richmond, Virginia, and east of the Mississippi.

This huge area—with its counterparts of Pittsburgh, Buffalo, and Bridgeport; of Illinois corn fields, New York dairy farms, and Maine potato harvests—was twice subjected to the most withering destruction; first by the Russians themselves when they retreated before the Germans, and then by the Germans when they withdrew before the victorious Russians.

As a result, 30,000,000 people are in urgent need of complete reoutfitting. They need houses and shoe laces, trolley cars and baby carriages, tractors and livestock, hydroelectric plants and electric light bulbs.

Many of these needs will be met at home. It is doubtful, for instance, if Moscow will import cooking utensils or sewing machines, for many of Russia's huge war factories can quickly be converted to peacetime production of such consumer goods.

But for the rebuilding and expansion of her industries Russia looks to the United States for equipment.

Soviet representatives already are in this country with authority to negotiate for technical men and the equipment necessary to rebuild the great Donbas coal mines according to the most modern American methods.

It is important to remember that Russia's whole iron and steel industry, its non-ferrous mining and processing, some of its chemical production, much of its coke roasting and gas recovery, practically its entire automobile and tractor industry, and the largest of its hydroelectric plants, are based on American machinery and processes.

It is known among manufacturers that Russia recently has asked for bids on shipbuilding equipment, construction and roadbuilding machinery, alloy steels, textile machines, plastics, and a long list of rail, air, and water transport supplies.

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The Soviet Union, however, has more than a rehabilitation job on its drawing boards.

The first Five-Year Plan, which, as we all remember, was completed ahead of time in 1932, was devoted almost exclusively to heavy industry. Russia set out to build for itself the machines and the factories which, in later years, could turn out, at home, modern equipment for a vast range of light industries.

Stalin, when he inaugurated the second of his famous Five-Year Plans, promised that before it was completed Soviet factories would begin to turn out a flow of con-

sumer goods—ready-made dresses, canned foods, soap, cosmetics, shoes, kitchenware, automobiles, telephones, and modern houses.

But, by 1935, Moscow realized that Russia could not afford to enjoy such luxuries in the face of growing political tension in Europe. So, when the third Five-Year Plan was launched, there was no fanfare. Russians continued to wear their old clothes, to eat whatever simple food was available, and began grimly to build the industries which ultimately produced enough tanks, planes, and guns to turn the tide of battle at Stalingrad.

It is characteristic of Moscow that even before the last battles with the Nazis are over, Russia is planning to pick up its Five-Year Plans where the war had interrupted them.

Invitations to participate in a permanent exhibition in Moscow already have been mailed to American manufacturers. Soviet officials want their public to see samples of our new machine tools, aluminum and alloy products, oil-drilling machinery, bulldozers, and prefabricated kitchen equipment. Russia already is projecting specific plans to resume the job (1) of making the country an industrial giant comparable to the United States, and (2) of making life more pleasant for a long-suffering people.

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What is the measure of this postwar market in the Soviet Union?

Some estimates place the total quantity of goods which Russia might take from the United States during the first two or three years after the war as high as \$5,000,000,000 a year. Then, as Russian industry is restored, imports from the United States might taper off perhaps to \$2,000,000,000 a year.

Actually, these estimates are far too optimistic, unless the United States is prepared (1) to help Russia pay by buying vast quantities of Soviet raw materials, and (2) to provide large credits to handle the purchases during the first few years of rehabilitation.

The relations of American exporters with Russia during the period covered by the three Five-Year Plans have been eminently satisfactory. Moscow has met all of its obligations punctually; fifteen years of experience have reduced contract forms to the point where they cause a minimum of misunderstanding between the Russian representatives and the American producers; individual American companies with extensive prewar experience in handling Soviet business already are offering large credits on initial postwar orders though these may yet be replaced by large government credits at lower interest rates.

But the volume of trade with Russia after the war hinges upon Moscow's ability to pay. Never before the war did the United States buy more than \$30,000,000 of goods a year from Russia. As late as 1938, Soviet exports to this country amounted to as little as \$23,500,000, far less than enough to pay even the service charges on the credits which would have to be extended in connection with exports of several billion dollars a year. Only South Africa produces more new gold each year than the Soviet Union. But the United States does not want gold; more of it would only complicate the problem of controlling prices here.

If the United States, however, is to achieve, after the war, the high level of national income which is necessary (1) to keep our expanded factories in operation, and (2) to service the national debt, it might absorb from \$90,000,000 to \$100,000,000 a year of the kind of goods bought from Russia before the war—furs, timber,

manganese, chromium, and handicrafts. But unless this volume of purchases from Russia can be boosted by another \$50,000,000 annually, credits of the size necessary to fill immediate Russian needs could not be serviced without large supplemental importations of undesirable gold.

The nub of the situation is that Russia offers an extraordinary potential market particularly for our heavy industries which have grown so enormously during the war. But if this sales outlet is to materialize, then the United States must find a way to import from Russia (or from Russia's debtors if any) from ten to twenty times as much as we did before the war. Instead of merely going after the export business, American businessmen must explore with the Russians the possibility of buying bigger supplies of Soviet products.

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But more than the Russian market itself hinges upon sound cooperative action by the world's two leading military-industrial nations.

If trade between them is held to a minimum and if relations are strained, the flow of trade all over the world will be adversely affected.

Europe, long this country's biggest export outlet, certainly will never take the bold steps necessary to reconstitute its economy on a peacetime basis if Russia and the United States drift into a race for military supremacy.

The Balkan states, which may be industrialized by Moscow in order to reduce their dependence on Germany, and the Arab world with its huge need for transportation, irrigation, and sanitation, will not dare accept American credits or make big contracts with American engineers if Moscow frowns on the deals.

And refusal of Russia and the United States to work cooperatively to maintain the peace would kill, in their present embryonic stage, all dreams of a vast industrialization program for China.

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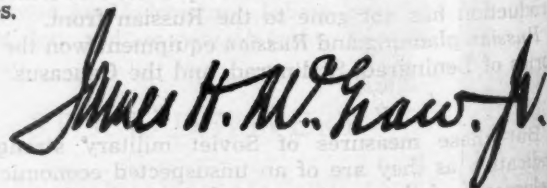
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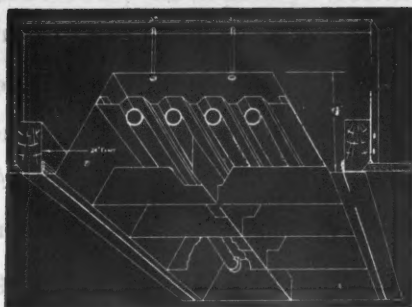
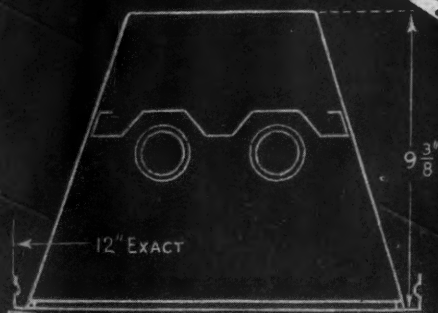
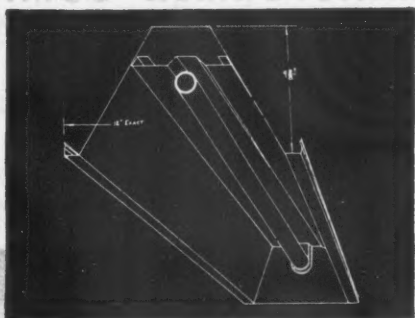


Illustration of 24" four light section with louvers. This is also furnished open or glass enclosed with either two or four 40 watt bulbs.



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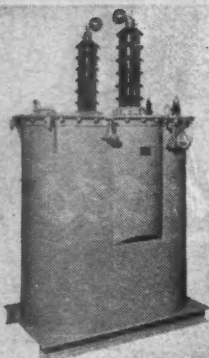
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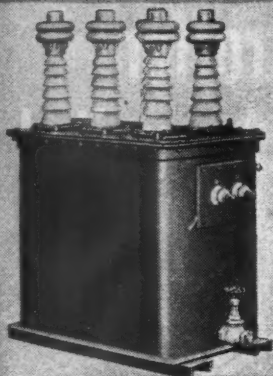
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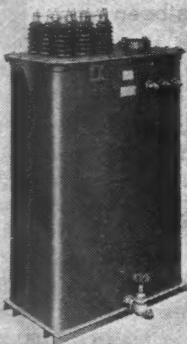
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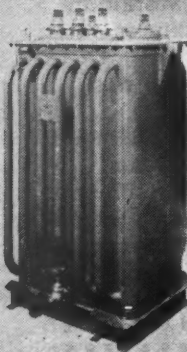
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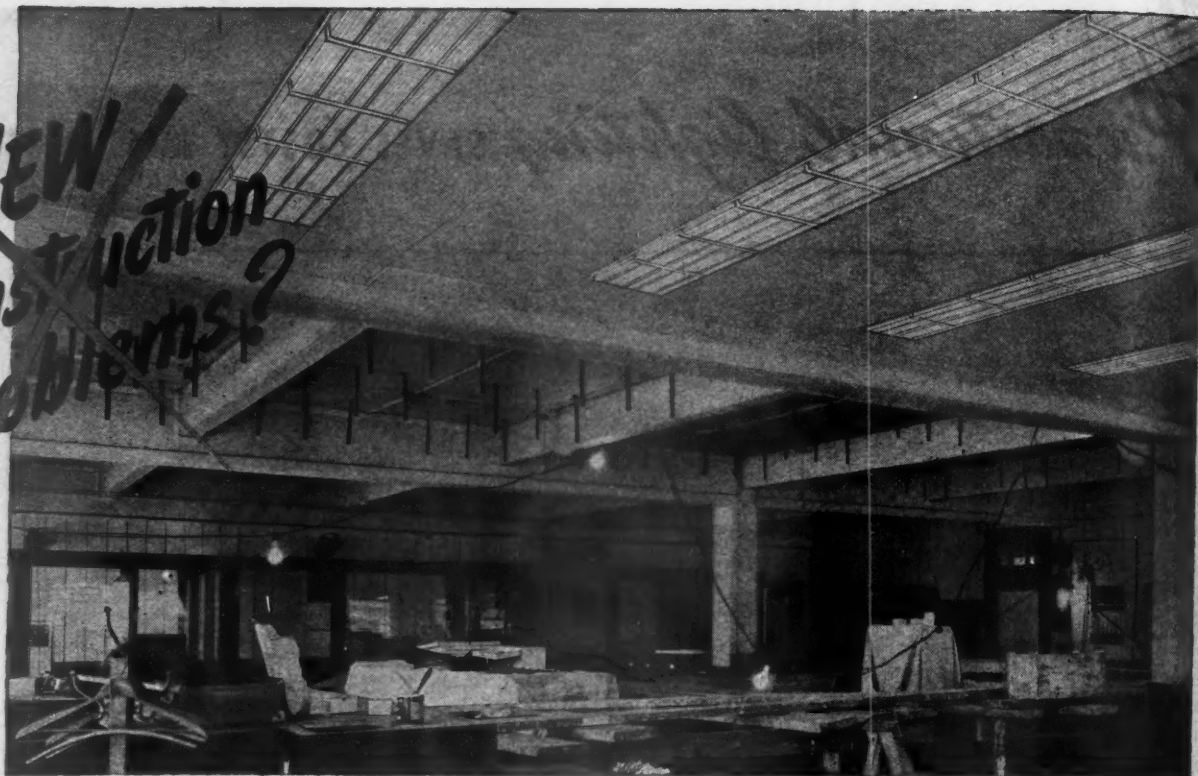


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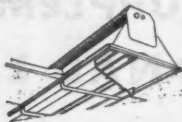
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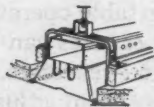
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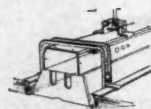
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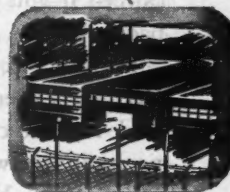
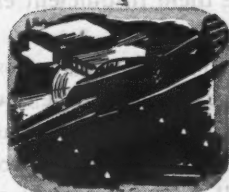
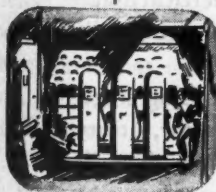
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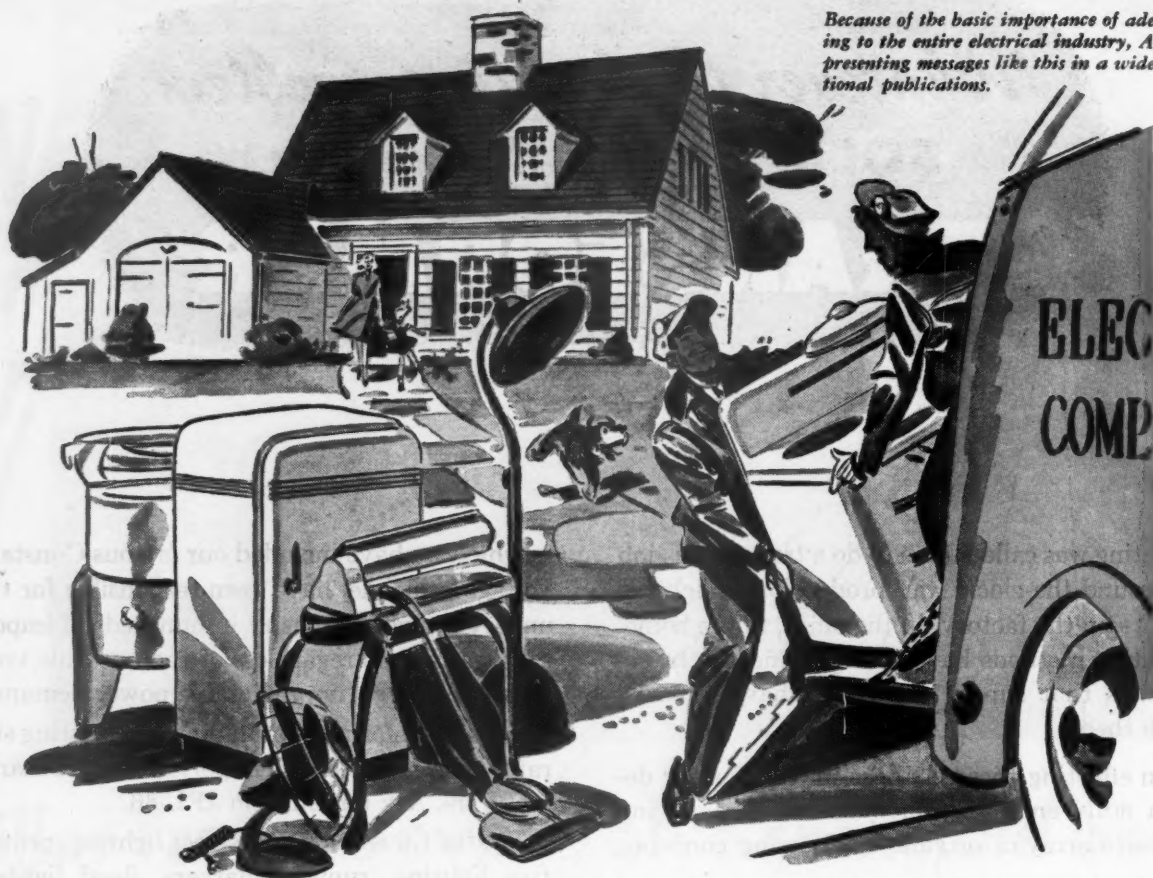


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The next step is coordination. It is obvious that the full measure of electrical development, in the public interest and in the interest of every group in the industry, cannot be reached without the vigor and vision of many men working for a common cause.

Can a great, diverse industry of power companies, manufacturers, distributors and contractors find a common cause? We are all tempted to confidently answer, "Yes, we shall because we must!" But it is not as simple as that. First must come understanding and a will to do the job. Then we shall find common cause because we want to. And in striving for common goals we shall find our own rewards multiplied many times.

That's not old time religion. It's a basic appraisal of the job ahead. In the electrical industry there is great danger of setting our sights short of the goal. Even today, after years of war business, demonstrating the tremendous capacity of an industry with a common purpose, there is still a reluctance to see postwar market development as more than appliance sales, load building, apparatus promotion, adequate wiring or industry stabilization.

Wiring in 95 percent of our existing homes is insufficient for present loads. Commercial building wiring is in such a bad way that it is a question whether the feeders are not doing a better job of heating the pipe shafts

than of providing efficient light and power. War loads have strained the capacity of industrial wiring systems far beyond safe limits. And from all sides we hear talk of new devices, appliances, lighting, machines; new loads in prospect threaten to make our present concepts of electrical utilization obsolete.

Those who heard the NECA, NEMA, NEWA, and EEI plans outlined from the same platform at French Lick enjoyed a great opportunity. Between the lines and through the overlapping objectives were common areas of action—and whether stated or not—these areas involved the function of the electrical contractor, the dealer and the electrician. The reason is simple. It is here that the great variety and scope of materials and services are transferred into facilities for electrical living.

Those who have grasped this important relationship—who see that a fixture is not lighting, that a glue pot is not load, that a motor is not power until it has passed through the process of skilled treatment at the installation level—can understand the vital need for great goals and common purpose. Lamps and locknuts, toasters and transformers, capacitors and cables are all related factors in one big formula.

And industry-wide understanding of this fundamental will give us the will to join forces, to see our own postwar objectives as part of a great forward movement toward new levels of electrical development. It is time now for broad scale thinking. It is time for all-industry action.

*Wm. J. Stuart*

## Electrical Contracting

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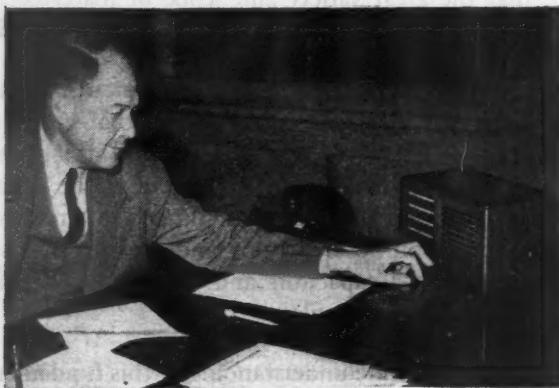
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# Sectionalized BUS-DUCT NETWORK

**High voltage feeders, primary load-center capacitors and a network bus-duct distribution system are features of Remington-Rand plant electrical facilities.**

ONE of the most modern electrical distribution systems in the country has been installed at Remington-Rand's new Propellor Division plant in Binghamton, New York. Its design provides greater protection than ever before against electric service outage at the utilization point with its consequent interruption to production.

## **Protection Against Outage**

Secondary distribution is made at 120/208 volts through bus-duct laid out in plan similar to that shown in the accompanying diagram. The 1500 ampere mains are divided into six separate sections so that a fault developing on the bus at any point cannot interrupt the entire plant. To provide further protection, each of the six sectionalized bus mains are provided with a number of strategically located fusible adaptor switches over and above those required by the code when telescoping bus sections down below one-third the capacity of the mains. The purpose of the additional adaptor switches is to expedite the localization of trouble.

As a further assurance of service continuity, each section is fed by two or more load-center transformers paralleled onto the 1500 ampere bus mains from separate feeders in typical network fashion. Reverse-power relays incorporated into a so-called network protector equipped with air-break switches protects against reverse feed to the primary connections in case of trouble. Five high-voltage, three phase feeders serve the nineteen unit substations throughout the plant.

The plant is a low one-story all wood structure with vaulted roof. The sub-

stations are mounted on platforms up in the trusses above the truss-chord line and all are connected by a continuous catwalk.

C. H. Crawford, plant engineer and C. L. Wagener, chief electrician, supervised the installation for Remington-Rand. Lord Electric Company were the electrical contractors doing the actual construction work. Wagener was formerly an independent electrical contractor in Binghamton, but liquidated his business to contribute what he could during the construction period from his previous broad background in electrical work, and to organize and

operate the required electrical maintenance department.

The main outdoor substation, which is located out-of-doors and at one end of the plant, is constructed entirely of wood. The two separate utility high-lines drop onto the overhead switching structure at 34,500 volts. After passing through fused disconnects, the two primary lines are connected through an air-disconnect tie switch before connection to the main transformers. Thus, the load can be shifted to one high line or to the other, enabling the operating utility to most economically load their over-all system and to provide greater protection against outage.

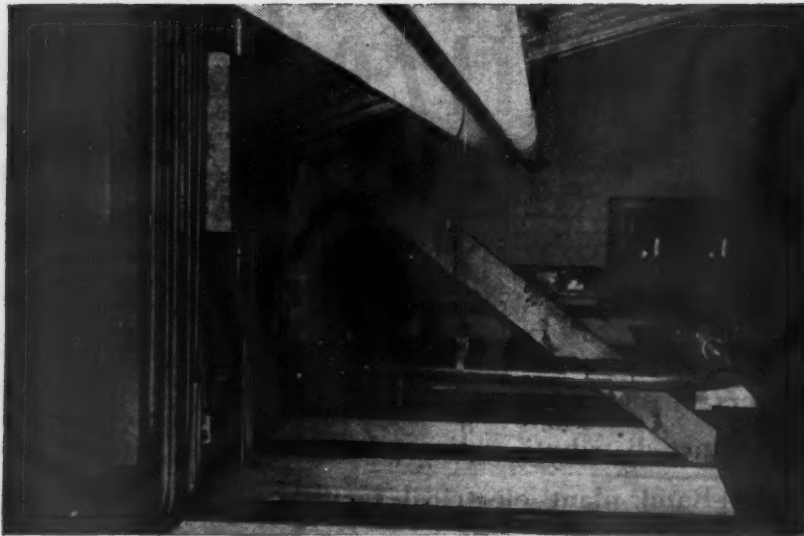
The two power transformers are rated 4000 kva. each, three phase,



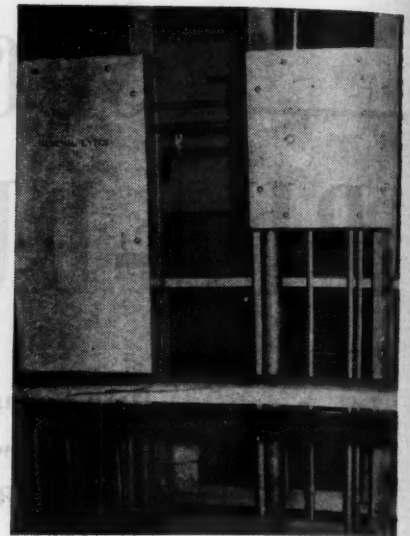
**FIVE 4160 VOLT FEEDERS** divide for longitudinal distribution through the plant. The five splice-boxes contain the cable wiped joints.

By

**Robert E. Miller**



**THE BREAKER** plugged into the bus duct on the right is for a lighting circuit which is carried through the conduit in the foreground to the pull box on the left which is mounted directly beneath the catwalk.



**LIGHTING** and receptacle panels are mounted at side of catwalk directly above the pull box shown at left.

34,500/2400/4160Y grounded neutral. Air blast equipment provides the substation with an additional capacity of 2000 kva.

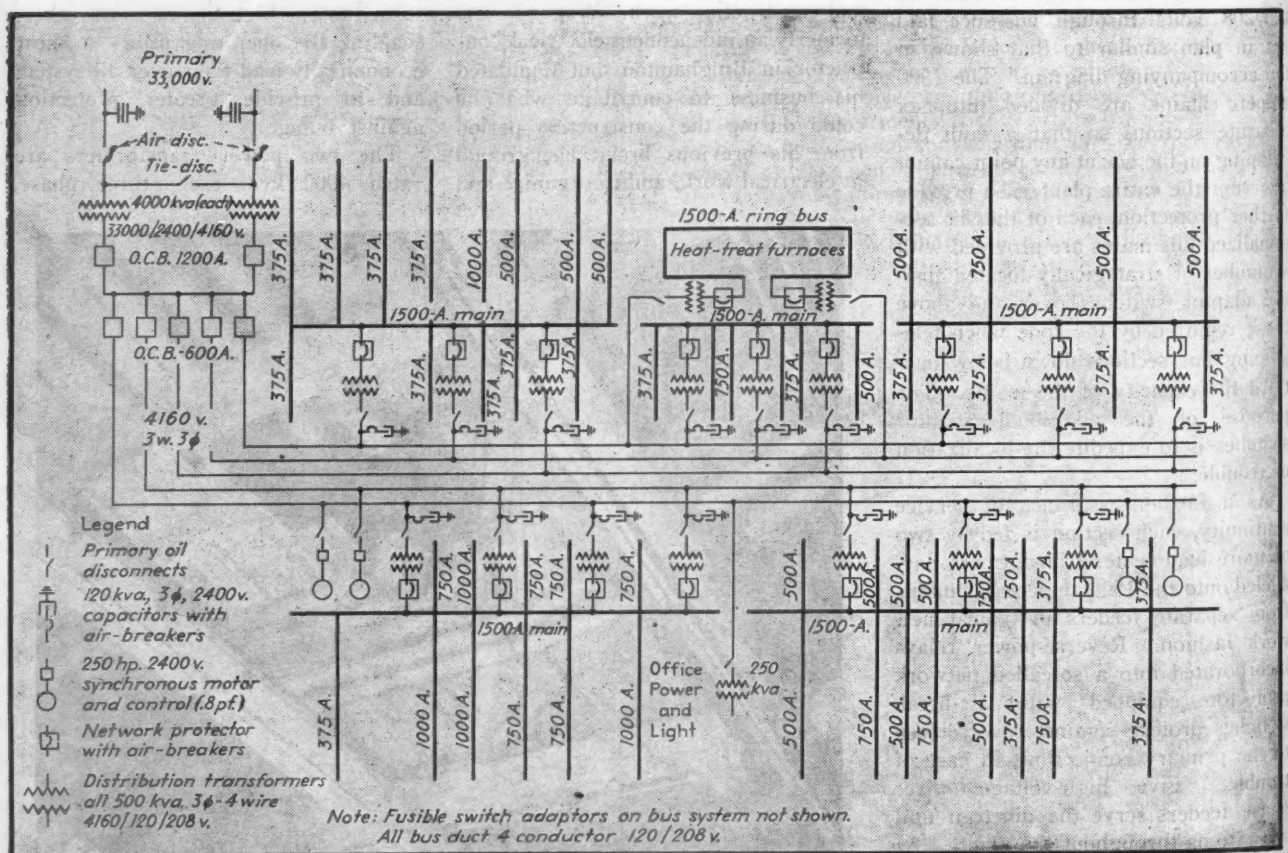
The outdoor station equipment is housed in eleven cubicles; two cubicles for relaying equipment, one cubicle for metering equipment, two cubicles for the two 1200 amp. transformer-to-bus oil circuit breakers, and six cubi-

cles (one spare) for the 600 amp. distribution feeders.

A grid-type grounding network is used to ground all substation equipment and feeder neutrals. Fifteen foot ground rods of three-quarter inch diameter are driven into the ground over the entire station area on eighteen foot centers.

A bank of eight fiber ducts buried in

a concrete envelope carry the feeders from the trench beneath the outdoor cubicles, under the railroad tracks and loading platform, and into the plant. Steel conduit risers take the cables up inside the end wall and into splice boxes which contain the wiped-joints (see photo). Only five ducts are in use now giving three spares for emergency use or for expansion. The

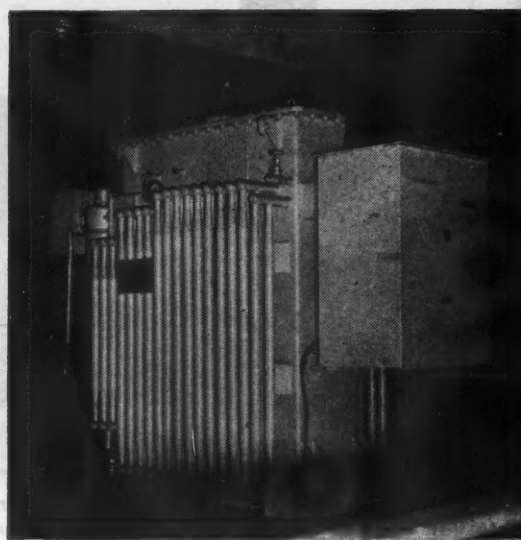


**FIG. 1—Plan elementary wiring diagram showing sectionalized busduct, high-voltage distribution and unit substations. Fusible adaptor switches not shown.**





**BANK OF PRIMARY CAPACITORS** which are connected in ahead of the load-center transformer. The unit-sub equipment is located on platforms such as this up in the truss work.



**THE BIG BOX** mounted on the side of the transformer tank contains the network protector equipment and breaker.

five 4160 volt feeders are three conductor, 500,000 CM., 6000 volt insulation, lead covered cable.

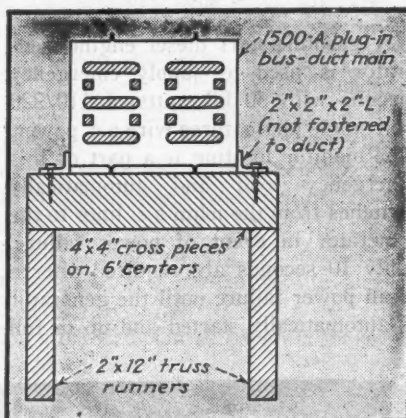
#### Primary Capacitors

The plant is approximately 500 feet by 1000 feet and the bus-duct mains, which run with the lengthwise dimension of the plant, are located on about 170 foot centers. Consequently, the high voltage distribution feeders divide at the point of entry into the plant with three feeders supplying the west side (which is more heavily loaded because of the electric furnaces) and two supplying the east side light and power requirements.

At each substation supplying an inductive load, primary capacitors have been installed to maintain the overall plant power factor at an economical value because of rate penalties. Out of a total of 19 substations, only three supply non-inductive loads; one for office power and light and two supplying the resistance furnaces. Thus, a total of 16 three phase banks of high voltage capacitors are installed just ahead of the 500 kva. load center transformers. In general, each bank is rated 135 kva. and consists of 15 kva., 2400 volt units connected in wye. The units are protected by high voltage fuses and air-break disconnects.

The mid point of the wye is grounded as is the neutral of the secondary 120/208 v. four-conductor bus duct, to the driven ground at each of the 19 substations. Then all the station grounds are tied together and bonded onto the plant's six-inch water main.

Gang-driven oil disconnects are provided in the transformer primary. Secondary protection is afforded by air circuit breakers incorporated in the network protectors. The network protector is required to prevent reverse power flowing into a primary fault. Since the secondary bus is supplied by transformers paralleled from separate feeders, dangerous amounts of reverse



**FIG. 2—Typical mounting detail showing the relative locations of the six line and eight ground conductors in the 1500 amp. main duct.**

power could conceivably flow from a transformer, through the secondary bus, back through a transformer on a faulty feeder, and into the primary fault.

Since the new plant was to produce an urgent war item, immediate production was of utmost importance. As soon as construction had advanced to the point where it could house machinery, production was immediately initiated. However, to supply power to these production machines was quite

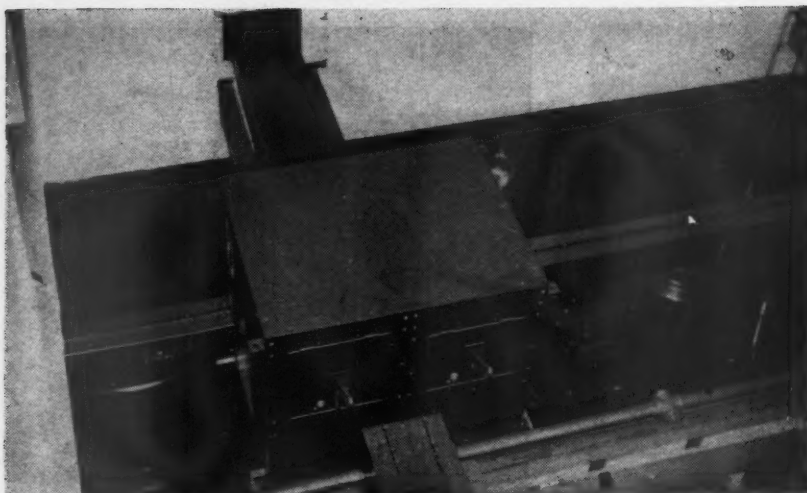
a problem, since the 500 kva. distribution transformers were only dribbling in from the manufacturer. In the beginning there were not even enough transformers in number to supply the six separate sections. To meet the distribution problem adequately, the two main bus ducts were run continuously down the entire length of the plant and both ends were connected to form a complete loop. One thousand amp. duct, ultimately used for branch runs, was used for the end connections.

As the transformers were delivered one by one, they were installed in their permanent locations, but at strategic points to most adequately serve the greatly expanding load. Finally, after all were put into operation, the various main runs were sectionalized merely by dropping ten foot sections, and the end-loop 1000 amp. ducts removed to their permanent branch locations.

Further flexibility and protection against outages has been provided by the use of fusible adaptor switches at certain of the branch circuit junction points with the main runs. In addition, the National Electrical Code requires that if the duct carrying capacity at any point is reduced to one-third or below, a fusible switch must be provided.

The system, in plan, is similar to that shown in the accompanying diagram. The main runs are 1500 amp. and run the full 1000 feet length of the building. The branches vary from 375 amp. to 1000 amp. in capacity and from 60 feet to 175 feet in length.

In addition to the five sectionalized longitudinal mains, a loop of 1500 amp. bus duct serves the small heat treat



**WHERE BRANCH DUCT runs are below one-third the main run capacity, a fusible adaptor switch is required by the National Electrical Code.**

area supplying power exclusively to four 69 kw. and four 103 kw. electric resistance type furnaces. Each end of the loop is connected to a separate distribution transformer served from separate feeders.

The rotating equipment load totals to some 16,000 horsepower. A good portion of this is made up of small drives on machine tools and the like, and range from fractionals up to 40 and 50 hp. Four 250 hp., 80 percent leading power-factor synchronous motors driving compressors accounts for 1000 connected horsepower. Forty-eight dust collectors requiring from 60 to 80 hp. each (in two motors) accounts for another 3600 hp.

#### Lighting Circuits

The lighting circuits are supplied from three-pole solid neutral magnetic breakers plugged directly into the 1500 amp. mains. Four wire, 42 circuit panels are provided for branch-circuiting, and in addition each panel contains a 200 amp. magnetic breaker controlled by push button from convenient locations on the floor. Thus the entire section can be turned on or off as required. Each circuit controls seven fixtures with three 40 watt white tubes per fixture. The branch breakers are resetting, non-fusible type.

Floor receptacles are likewise served from a separate four wire panel of non-fusible circuit breakers, located on the catwalk, and served separately from a magnetic breaker plugged directly into the 1500 amp. mains.

The lighting load alone runs better than 1000 kw. for just the plant, and this figure does not include monitor lighting, office lighting, outdoor lighting and local lighting on machines,

and that used for inspection. Over 15 miles of fluorescent tubing is used for plant general illumination. A group replacement maintenance schedule based on 3000 hour lamp life is strictly adhered to. At replacement time, new starters are installed, ballasts and connections are checked, reflectors are washed, and an initial level of 48 foot-candles is attained. This drops off to about a minimum of 30 foot-candles at the end of 3000 hours.

#### Emergency Unit

A gasoline-start diesel engine generator is used to supply emergency circuits with 30 kilowatts of 110/220 volt single phase, three wire a.c. power. The monitor lighting is a part of this emergency load and automatically switches from the main a.c. lines to the generator in event of power failure. Only 10 seconds are required after a main power failure until the generator is automatically started and up to full

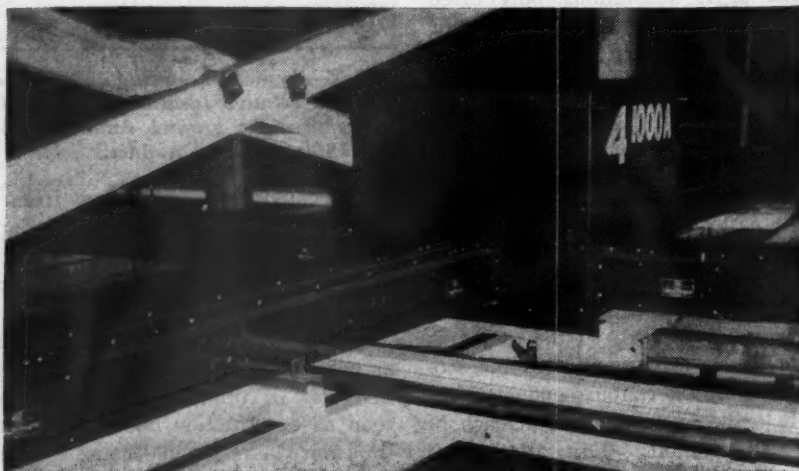
speed. The monitor lighting consists of 150 watt incandescent units located on 100 foot centers throughout the plant. A relay and double throw switch provides the automatic feature in transferring the monitor circuits to the generators.

#### Flexibility

The bus duct has provided a flexibility that has proven absolutely essential to continuous and economic production. Because production methods undergo continual changes, machinery as a consequence, likewise is continually being shifted. Four men working seven days a week do nothing but handle the electrical changes required by this shifting of machinery. Any other type of distribution system would have made this continual reconversion problem extremely costly.

The installation of the capacitors and the effect of the synchronous motors has maintained an excellent power-factor which has paid dividends in rate concessions. The average power-factor over the first 12 months operation has been 96.08 per cent, with a high of 99.8 and a low of 87.2 percent. This low figure was despite the fact that the load was growing from an initial consumption of 426,000 kwh. per month to a maximum of 2,576,000 kwh. per month. Maximum demand for the same twelve-month period has been 4380 kw.

This flexibility in plug-in bus duct distribution is a distinct advantage. It should be given full consideration in engineering a new installation. The higher initial cost of bus duct distribution has been more than offset by the lower operating costs resulting from the quick and easy reconversion made possible by this method.



**FUSIBLE ADAPTOR SWITCH at junction of main and branch duct runs used to expedite localization of trouble.**



# Los Angeles

## REINSPECTION PLAN

**Backed by a workable plan tried out during the depression as a relief measure, the City of Los Angeles is ready to launch an electrical reinspection program immediately after the war.**

**B**ACK in the depression years the City of Los Angeles, Calif., organized an electrical reinspection program primarily as a relief measure to give employment to qualified men and at the same time provide an opportunity to catalog electrical hazards existing throughout the city. The plan was feasible but was not a complete success—from the standpoint of correcting hazardous conditions—because the public lacked the funds to comply with the recommendations at that particular period. Now the picture is different. The public will have the funds from accumulated war bonds and savings to rehabilitate electrical systems in accordance with safe standards. The City stands ready to re-install its reinspection program when the proper time arrives.

Los Angeles has a head start with respect to such a plan. The local authorities have ordained a "Right of Entry" in the City Code which permits the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners or duly authorized representatives to enter any building, structure or premises or any portion thereof whenever it may be necessary to make an inspection, reinspection or investigation to ascertain if the provisions have been complied with. Such entrance, however, cannot be made in living quarters without consent of the occupant, nor in industrial or commercial establishments in the absence of the owner unless prior permission has been granted.

The section of the City Code covering Reinspection provides the right to

inspect or investigate electric wiring or equipment installed prior to or after effective date of the Article to determine existence of a hazardous condition or violation of the provisions. If conditions hazardous to life and property are found, the department notifies the owner or person in control to cease using electrical current in or through such an electrical installation and to repair the same within a reasonable time—not exceeding ten days. This notice specifies the particular defects and the changes necessary; also the stipulation that repairs must be inspected and approved before being again energized. Using a condemned installation before repairs and approval have been made is an unlawful procedure. Electrical installations complying with regulations and made prior to the effective date of the Article are not affected unless they are found to be dangerous and a hazard to life and property.

The proposed plan will operate somewhat like this:

1. The inspection department will zone the entire city—each zone to be subdivided into sections and each section divided into blocks. Each building in the block will be numbered.
2. The name and address of the owner and principal tenant of each building will be kept on file.
3. Resurvey inspectors will be assigned sections, select blocks and start with Building No. 1 and inspect the wiring from roof to basement; the same will be done with other buildings.
4. The findings of the inspectors will be reported to the inspection department office.

5. Previously assigned experienced letter writers will mail letters disclosing the hazards and recommendations to the legal owners and principal occupants.

Although this appears to be complicated and unworkable, Los Angeles found it very simple, legal and feasible when it was in operation during the depression (1929-1934).

Prior to and shortly after Pearl Harbor, the City maintained a staff of resurvey inspectors to reinspect defense plants for the purpose of preventing work stoppage that might occur from fire, etc. However, it was discontinued due to the manpower shortage and increase in new permits (1492 in June 1943; 2776 in June 1944). Now, however, they have the large number of "emergency" installations good only for six months after the war to reinspect as well as others which should have been reinspected and corrected long ago. It is not the intention of this program to cause the removal of permanently concealed emergency installations nor, in some instances, exposed wiring unless indications point to tampering and overloading.

The electric utilities are able to cooperate with the city electrical inspection department since they maintain a standby charge for industrial loads based on connected horsepower. Where they find an appreciable increase in horsepower and have not received an inspection report, the city inspection department is notified and they take appropriate action. The Fire Prevention Detail of the Fire Department, when they find defective or hazardous wiring in the course of their inspections, also notify the city electrical inspection department in writing and action is then taken.

*From a report on Reinspection presented by V. C. Moulton, Denver, Colo. at the Indianapolis meeting of the Western Section, I.A.E.I.*

# NECA

## Conference Report

Management, labor, manufacturer, wholesaler and utility representatives review coordinated electrical industry postwar activities at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the National Electrical Contractors Association, French Lick Springs Hotel, Oct. 1-6.

**W**ITH a European victory imminent and American industry doing some serious thinking on the problems of reconversion and full employment in a peace-time economy, the National Electrical Contractors Association reviewed the possibilities of translating a coordinated electrical industry postwar program into action immediately after V-E day at their 43rd Annual Meeting in French Lick, Ind. Realizing the importance of cooperation in developing and capitalizing on the postwar electrical market, NECA brought official representatives of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, National Electrical Manufacturers Association, National Electrical Wholesalers Association and the Edison Electric Institute to present the plans of their respective organizations to the more than 450 delegates and guests of the conference. Supplementing their reports was a resume of NECA'S own plans.

### SUNDAY

At a pre-convention session of the new Board of Governors—the first meeting of the 55 direct representatives of the membership—a full agenda was reviewed. Among the actions taken were the following: endorsement of the NECA national advertising program to be inaugurated after a sufficient

number of Chapters have obtained a second wage rate agreement (industrial maintenance) with their local IBEW unions; approval of the extension of standardized labor agreements between local Chapters and local Unions; approval of NECA publication of dues, assessments, wage rates, licensing and inspection requirements of the various Chapters.

Other Board actions charged the NECA Codes and Standards Committee to thoroughly study the question of bare neutral systems and make a report to the Administrative Committee for submission to a referendum vote; approved the extension of the NECA News Letter on a weekly basis; and conferred an honorary membership on Fred B. Adam, president Frank Adam Electric Company and a NECA member for 43 years.

### MONDAY

In his annual report at the opening of the general sessions, NECA president Robert W. McChesney, reviewed the association's recent activities of planning and organizing to assure the electrical contractor his share of the enormous postwar electrical market—such plans now being ready to function. Continuing, he presented the following resume of organization activities:

**Apprenticeship Training**—The National Joint Apprenticeship Committee for the Electrical Industry has, in the comparatively short time allotted, completed "Standards" for over-all apprenticeship and training in the industry. The word "Construction" has been deleted from the Committee Title to be consistent with the proposed broad application of contractor services in the various phases of the electrical industry—such expanded services having been proved feasible during the war period.

**Labor-Management Committee**—Several recommendations of the NECA - IBEW Labor - Management Planning Committee, notably that of full time employment on an annual basis, have been jointly accepted and are now being promoted nationally. Since the largest immediate volume of future business lies in the conversion of industrial facilities to peace-time production and the rehabilitation of commercial and institutional electrical facilities, Mr. McChesney urged immediate approval and adoption of the NECA business promotional program designed to reach these vast postwar markets.

**Field Service**—The NECA Field Service Staff has been completed with a qualified full time representative operating in each of the six geographical divisions of the country. To reduce



forced idleness of electrical contractors due to dependence upon strictly construction work, NECA has resolved to prepare and equip its members to sell and perform all kinds and types of electrical service.

**Government Regulations** — NECA has partially won a long fight against MPR 251, by the recent release of a Revised MPR 251 which eliminates most of the objectionable phases. The Construction Industry Advisory Group of the Construction and Civic Development Department of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States is conferring and cooperating with the WPB to procure a relaxation of Limitation Order L-41. Indications are that some materials for the construction industry will be available at an early date and removal of the restrictive order might follow victory in Europe. Present WPB estimates indicate enough available materials for a construction volume of 4.25 billions in 1945 compared with 3.6 billions this year.

In his annual report to the convention, General Manager Laurence W. Davis reviewed the recent growth of

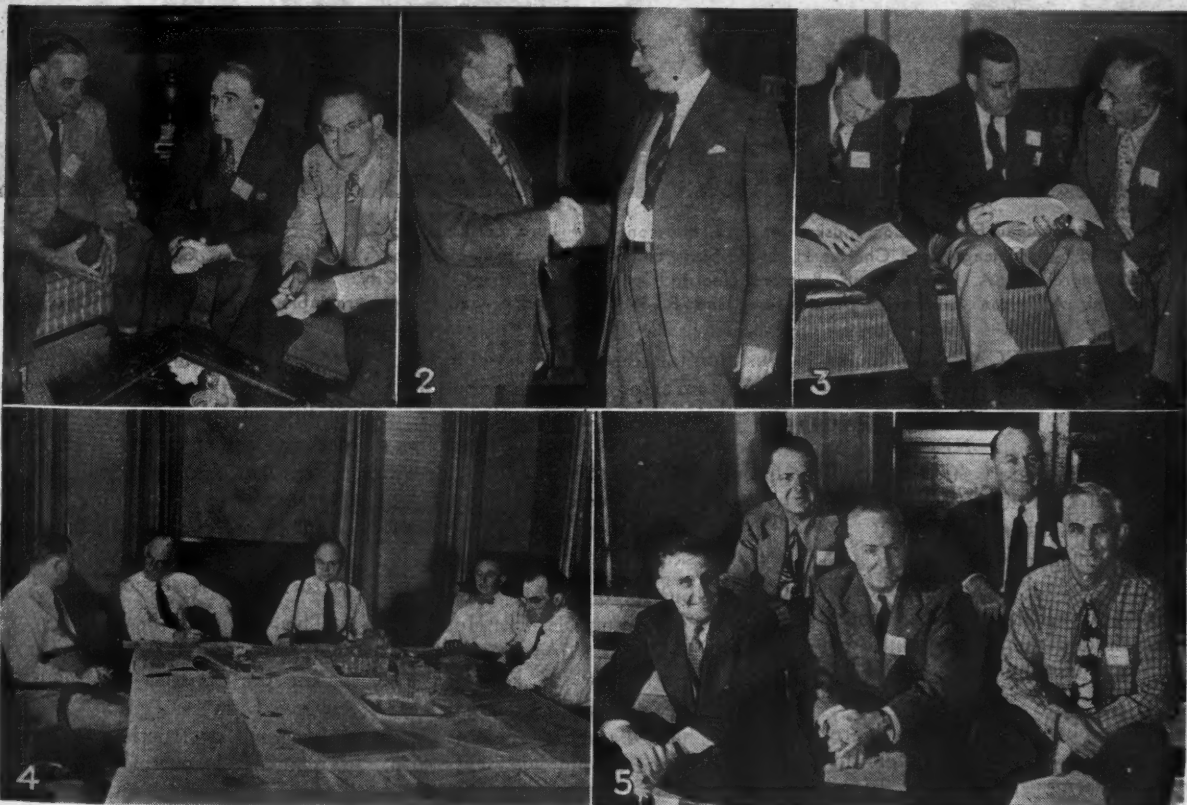
NECA, noting that, despite a general housecleaning of more than 200 dependable members within the past 20 months, the roster now totals 1,120 members (a net gain of 217 active members) with 47 Chapters, embracing 853 of these. The jurisdiction of NECA Chapters is being extended to serve larger economic areas, he added, the eventual plan being to bring every area in the country within the jurisdiction of an active chapter.

Reviewing NECA's victory in securing the recently released RMPR-251, Mr. Davis went on to point out a provision that still seems dangerous — the authority of each Regional OPA Administrator to put into effect pricing orders establishing maximum prices for particular kinds, types or classifications of construction services or sales of installed business materials applicable to a particular community or a defined area. Should the application of this provision in any region impose unfair regulations, he urged the contractors to protest immediately. In the meantime, he urged members to give RMPR-251 a fair trial and seek to

make it work. In concluding he asked contractors to keep reasonable records and adequate bookkeeping to provide a defense against any possible OPA charges of unfair pricing brought under this regulation.

With the Field Service staff completely organized (each of the six field representatives covering from 7 to 9 states) Paul M. Geary, Assistant General Manager and Field Supervisor, reported on the objectives of this NECA activity. These are:

1. To organize in every area an active local Joint Committee on Apprenticeship and Training to function under the Standards of the National Committee.
2. To have every NECA Chapter and appropriate IBEW Local Union acknowledge that there are other fields of activity open for contractors which provide a practical application of "full-time employment on an annual basis"; that the hourly labor cost should not be greater than that of any other type of employer for the same class of work on a regular employment basis.



1. W. V. Pangborne, W. V. Pangborne & Co., Inc., Philadelphia, A. H. "Doc" Keith, Westinghouse Elec. Supply Co., and Harry M. Schulman, A. S. Schulman Elec. Co., Chicago. 2. Robert W. McChesney, Washington, NECA President and Fred B. Adam, Frank Adam Electric Co., St. Louis. 3. A. F. Gould, Central Electric Co., Battle Creek; A. H. Wilson, President NECA Chapter, Washington, and J. W. Collins, Chicago NECA Chapter.

4. W. H. Biester, Jr., Electro Construction Co., Philadelphia; Allan Coggeshall, Hatzel & Buehler, New York; George Andrae, Herman Andrae Electric Co., Milwaukee, and T. W. Wilmer, Chawning & Wilmer, Richmond and D. B. Clayton, Birmingham. 5. Paul Heydon, Mgr., Spokane NECA Chapter; R. D. Horning, Mgr., NECA Chapter; Archie Morgan, Morgan Electric Co.; Grover C. Burke, City Electric & Fixture Co.; C. F. Meagher, all of Seattle.

## FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT IS BASIC

By Robert W. McChesney for NECA

The electrical construction industry has resolved to avoid, if possible, the reoccurrence of the mass unemployment we experienced after the last war, so we started early to plan a program designed to create sufficient civilian business to replace that furnished by war production.

The Labor Management Planning Committee was jointly established by the National Electrical Contractors Association and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, to study the problem insofar as it concerns our mutual interests and to make recommendations for adjustments necessary for the electrical contracting industry to meet the war and postwar conditions.

The most pertinent recommendation made and adopted by both organizations is full time employment on an annual basis at an hourly cost of less than that paid for intermittent employment such as is used for building construction.

Another recommendation is that of overall apprenticeship and training in all kinds of electrical work, including inside construction, line construction, cable installation, industrial electronics, signal system, communication, power generation and distribution, railroad system, broadcasting rigging and welding, repairs and rewinding and all types of maintenance operations.

NECA has a business promotional program designed to reach the great postwar markets. This program consists of a national approach by NECA to sell its members as the electrical contractors best qualified to do all types of electrical work. We are ready for action.

that, by local committee action, apprentices be required to go to night school on their own time to acquire knowledge on subjects in which they are lacking, he added, stressing the importance of viewing Apprenticeship and Training from an *Educational* instead of a *Production* viewpoint.

Action was also taken to have a special committee on the NJATC seek General Hines' acceptance of the Standards for training returning service men. Joint approval was also given to the program of seeking contractor cooperation in reporting skill shortages to Local Joint Apprenticeship Committees—such shortages to be remedied by the NJATC.

On the subject of indenturing, Chairman Herzberg stated that the *most desirable* plan is to have the apprentice indentured by agreement to the Local Joint Committee and sub-indentured to



6. F. J. Groleau, Groleau Electric Co., Muskegon; A. J. Harmon, Harmon Electric Co., Chicago, and Charles H. Stark, Stark Electric Co., Baltimore. 7. A. Lincoln Bush, Belmont Electric Co., Paul Fitzpatrick, American Arbitration Association, and F. W.

Lord, Lord Electric Co., all of New York City. 8. George L. Gamp, Gamp Electric Co., St. Louis, and S. J. O'Brien, S. J. O'Brien Sales Co., New York City. 9. J. H. Hennequin, Cincinnati Chapter NECA; and G. W. Archibale, Archibale Electric Co., Cincinnati.

3. To provide NECA headquarters with more complete and accurate information for Industry statistics.

4. To bring into the NECA fold at least the approximately 500 non-member electrical contractors with an annual volume in excess of \$25,000.

5. By establishing additional Chapters and extending the jurisdiction of existing ones, to bring all NECA members throughout the country into and under the jurisdiction of a NECA Chapter.

6. To establish a reasonable degree of uniformity of local Chapter By-Laws, operating procedure, and a standardized labor agreement between Chapters and Local Unions.

7. To assist Chapters in securing passage of desirable local and state legislation.

8. To establish the necessary cooperation and recognition of and com-

ensation for services rendered by electrical contractors in the distribution of electrical materials and equipment.

9. To prove to potential customers that electrical work of any nature can be done more economically and expeditiously by an electrical contractor with his skilled personnel.

Reporting on Over-All Apprenticeship and Training, E. H. Herzberg, chairman, National Joint Apprenticeship Committee for the Electrical Industry, revealed that at a formal meeting in Chicago on Sept. 9, the Committee adopted an amended version of the tentative draft of the Standards, thereby creating the National Apprenticeship and Training Standards for the Electrical Industry which will be printed in the near future and amended from time to time by the Committee as experience dictates. The Committee also supported a recommendation

the individual employer, thus placing directly on the Committee the responsibility of providing the apprentice with a well rounded training in all phases of the electrical field. Mr. Herzberg, in concluding, urged the prompt acceptance and adoption of the Standards—an action which was taken at the business session.

The activity of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States in coordinating the Construction Industry, was reviewed by F. Stuart Fitzpatrick, Manager, Construction and Civic Development Department, Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Outlining the organization and operation of the Construction Advisory Group of this Department, he revealed that they are dealing effectively with the construction industry's over-all conversion problems; that they are providing constructive and informed advice to WPB



officials in determining what action should be taken with construction controls after V-E day. WPB has been convinced, he added, that early and prompt removal of all construction controls, except those necessary for the military, is required for rapid resumption of civilian employment in the conversion period and that anticipated improvement in the materials situation makes this entirely feasible.

Noting that many construction industry problems are local in nature, he urged the use of local Chambers of Commerce who are in a position to help solve them through activities such as surveys of demand for construction, modernization of building codes and apprentice training. Construction is the basic activity in our economy and its organization and maintenance of reasonable stability are important to the entire economy, he added, con-

Electrical Wholesalers Association and the Edison Electric Institute, are briefed below.

**The NECA Program**—(R. W. McChesney, president)—Based on recommendations of the NECA-IBEW Labor-Management Planning Committee, the following plans were evolved to extend the services of the electrical contractor and remove his full dependency on construction as a sole livelihood:

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A committee was appointed to draw up a comprehensive set of specifications for presentation for Chapter action. Members upon whom this laborious task fell were Joe Ferrari (chairman),

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Presentation of the Central District



**THOROUGH CLEANING** of all windings and parts is an important feature of an A-1 reconditioning job.



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# REBUILT Electrical

**Twenty-six definite specifications which rebuilt electrical equipment must meet before it leaves the shops of Central District Chapter, NISA (Chicago) members. Standards are now under consideration for adoption on a national basis.**



# Equipment Standards

Chapter Standards to the NISA War Conference in Cincinnati by Charles Kaska (Chapter President) aroused the interest of the NISA National Certification Board as to the possibilities of formulating a set of National Motor Rebuilding Standards. Joe Ferrari was appointed chairman of the National Committee and is now receiving comments from the various NISA Chapters throughout the country who are reviewing the Chicago Standards.

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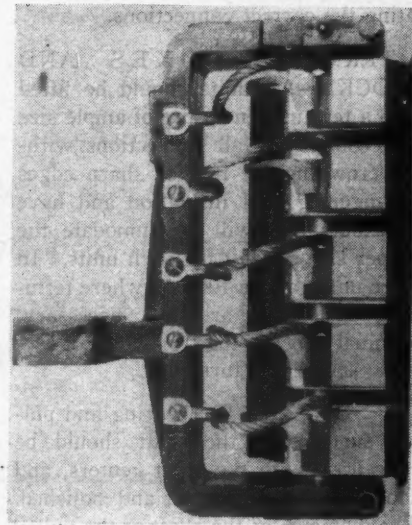
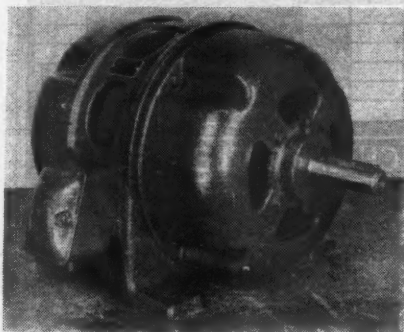
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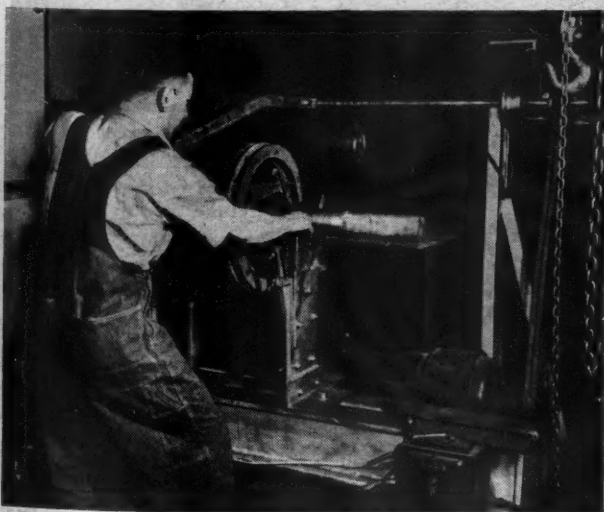
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**3. FRAMES AND BONNETS**—All frames and bonnet castings shall be



**BRUSH HOLDERS** should be thoroughly cleaned, equipped with adjustable brush tension devices and the correct size and grade of brush for the specific motor.

**REBUILT MOTORS** should reflect a first-class mechanical and electrical job. Units should be equipped with terminal boxes or connection blocks, keyways, have the frame newly painted and be ready for immediate service.



**DYNAMIC BALANCING** assures smooth vibrationless operation of the reconditioned motor, when assembled.



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6. **SHAFTS**—The bearing and pulley surfaces of the shaft should be concentric with the shaft centers, and should be true, smooth, and polished. The diameter of the shaft at the pulley portion should not be more than 10 percent smaller than the NEMA size shaft for same size motor of corresponding horse power and speed, and should not be smaller than 1/10 of 1 percent from such standard diameters. (Example—A 1-in. shaft may be turned to 11/16-in. and should not be smaller than .001-in. under 11/16-in. A 2-in. shaft may be turned to 1 7/8-in. and be not less than .002-in. under 1 7/8-in.)

Shafts not long enough to accommodate a pulley should be admitted to be a short shaft motor, and customer advised of same.

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11. **BEARING HOUSINGS**—The oiling system and oil and grease chambers should be cleaned, and protected from dirt by proper, well-fitted oil covers and end caps, and free from leaks. They should be equipped with a proper oil overflow cup, with cover, and of sufficient height to maintain correct oil level in bearing housing.

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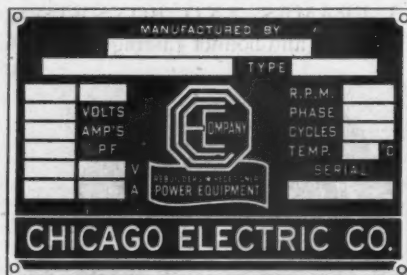
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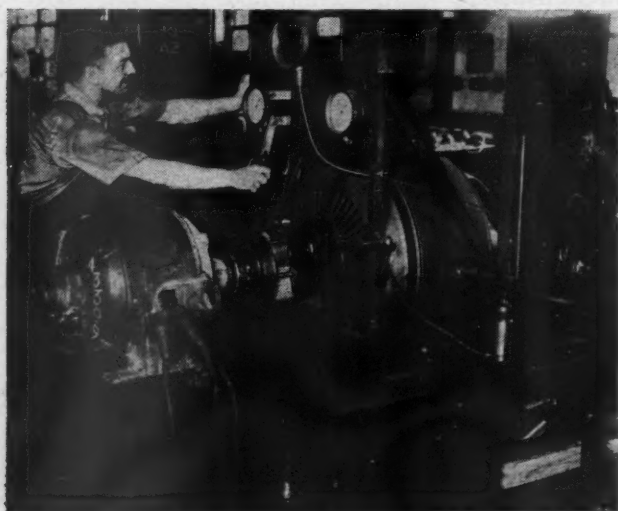
#### Mechanical and Electrical Details

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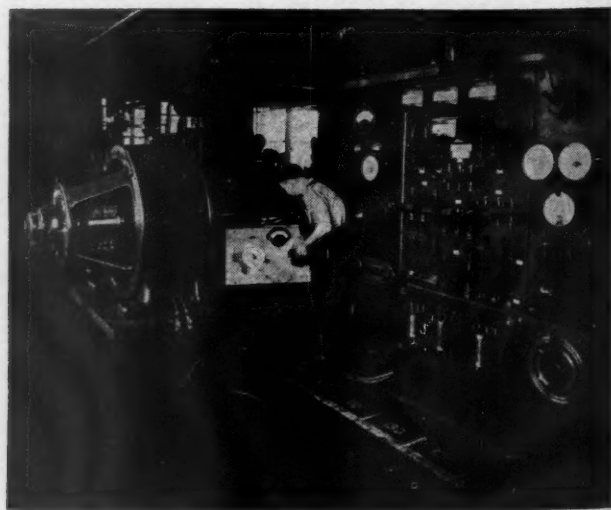
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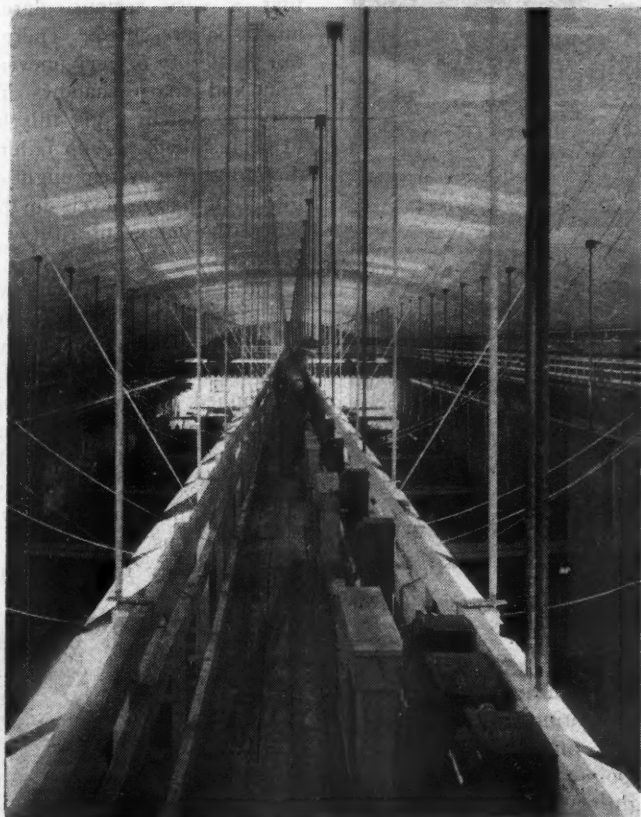
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# Totally Indirect Industrial Lighting



**TRANSFORMERS** for the mercury units and safety switches are mounted against side rail of cat-walk. Wiring gutter runs on walk beneath equipment.

Three thousand watt units, alternately mercury and incandescent, provide thirty maintained foot-candles at Budd Field plant.

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systems, indirect 3 kw. mercury units were selected to illuminate the assembly areas.

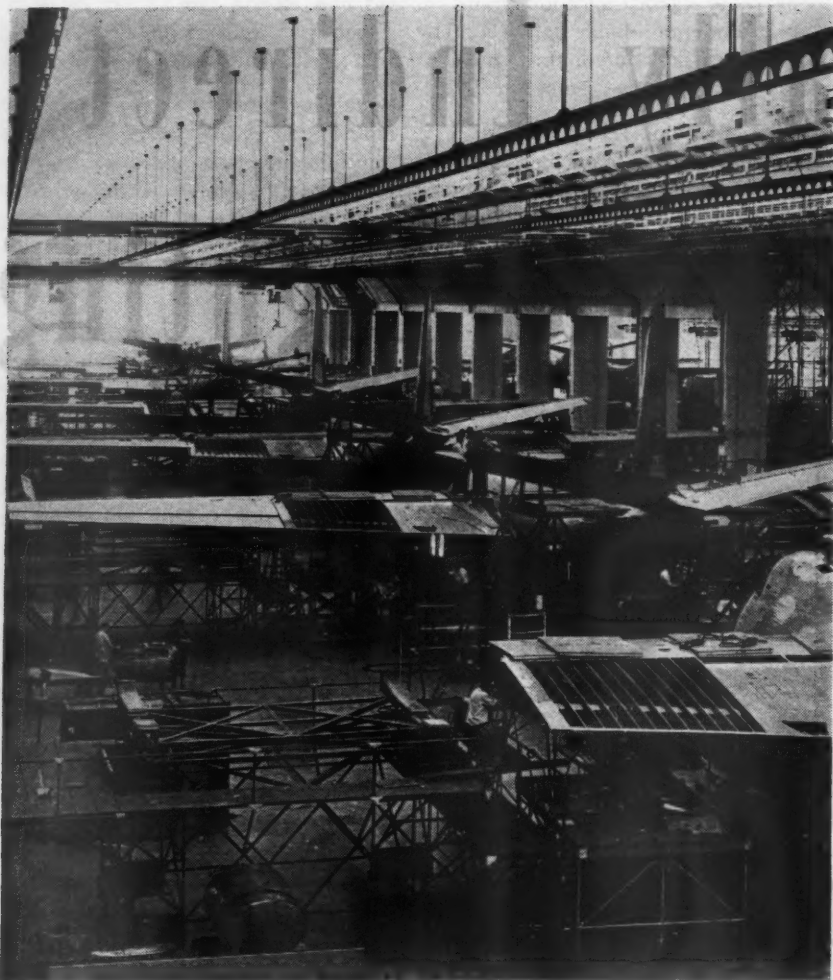
The completed structure was made of steel-reinforced concrete nearly 600 feet wide and 1800 feet long. The entire assembly area is all on one floor, its walls enclose over 24 acres of ground. In plan the area consists of two sections each approximately 135 ft. by 1800 ft. (designated "high bays") and six sections each approximately 50 ft. by 1800 ft. (designated "low bays"). Each bay was a vaulted roof made up of a compound curve which gives an appearance of a somewhat flattened section of a cylinder with a ceiling of smooth concrete. The

vaulted ceilings have no beams or other obstructions with the exception of two rows of skylights in the large bays and one row of skylights in the small bays, together with suspension rods to support craneways and a Monorail system throughout the entire plant.

Stated in simple terms, the illumination problem was "to provide not less than 35 foot-candles maintained of adequate lighting." In the case under consideration, the following items had to be reviewed:

1. The Budd product was to be made of stainless steel. This indicated the presence of large surfaces of fairly high specularity in nearly all assembly operations. Such surfaces would pro-

*\*From a paper presented by J. L. Kilpatrick, Illuminating Engineer, Westinghouse Electric and Mfg. Co., Bloomfield, N. J. and L. N. Blugerman, Plant Engineer, Budd Assembly Plant, Bustleton, Pa., at the 37th annual meeting of the Illuminating Engineering Society.*



**GENERAL VIEW of assembly area. Catwalk and line of fixtures can be seen at upper right between mono-rails.**

vide a potential source of reflected glare.

2. Certain assembled sections were to be so high that workers in some operations would be in close proximity to any lighting system installed. This necessitated consideration of direct glare. With this condition there was also the factor of heat radiation which required study.

3. Broad horizontal surfaces suggested the possibility of large shadow areas which would probably produce poor see-ability.

4. The use of many high jigs and other fixtures necessary for the assembly process emphasized the need of providing very well diffused illumination.

5. While it was recognized that in certain cases supplementary lighting would be necessary, it was desired to confine such local lighting to a minimum.

6. Ease of maintenance was of major importance. The complexity of jigs in certain areas made servicing from the floor impossible. Investigations into the experiences of other war plants em-

phasized the difficulties and high cost of maintaining lighting systems. In many cases reports on other existing installations pointed to the fact that servicing of lighting fixtures actually interfered with production.

All of these factors had to be given consideration in the contemplation of any proposed lighting system.

In attempting to solve the lighting problem presented by the requirements of Budd Field, the first subject reviewed was that of a suitable light source. Of those commercially available, the three which were given consideration were: (1) incandescent, (2) mercury, (3) fluorescent.

An analysis was made of the pertinent data relating to each of the sources considered. It was logical that the high efficiencies of fluorescent and mercury vapor lamps should gain favorable attention. The longer life of these two types of sources held real significance from a maintenance angle.

The high efficiency of mercury vapor lamps merited particular attention. The then recently developed 3000 watt mer-

cury lamp producing 120,000 lumens came in for much careful study. The high lumen output from a single linear light source was noteworthy from the standpoint of design because of the possibility of reducing the number of fixtures required to provide the level of illumination desired. This naturally meant fewer light sources to be maintained.

The apparent potentialities of the three k.w. mercury lamp were not all favorable. The intrinsic brightness of a source of such lumen output meant that a very serious glare problem might be presented. There was also the possibility of very uneven distribution and sharp shadows if a direct lighting system using this lamp were to be installed. Lamp failures with a direct lighting system might cause very low illumination levels in those areas where the outage of a three k.w. lamp occurred.

Actually, many layouts were made using the three types of lamps under consideration in almost every conceivable manner in which they could be applied. From these many engineering studies, five lighting systems were finally selected for further analysis. These five systems were (a) direct lighting using 1500 watt incandescent lamps in porcelain enameled steel high bay reflectors on approxi-



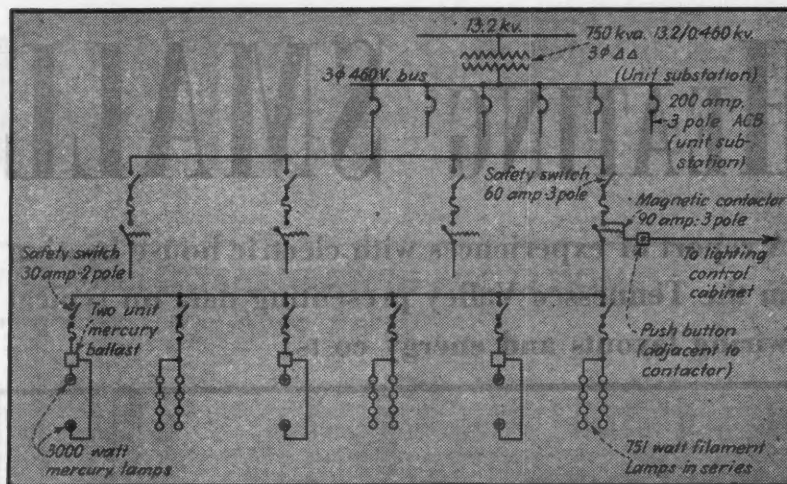
**UNITS CAN BE TIPPED toward catwalk for servicing. Lock-stop arrangement assures return to proper angle. Three kw. mercury tube is being replaced. Unit beyond carries four 751 watt incandescent lamps.**



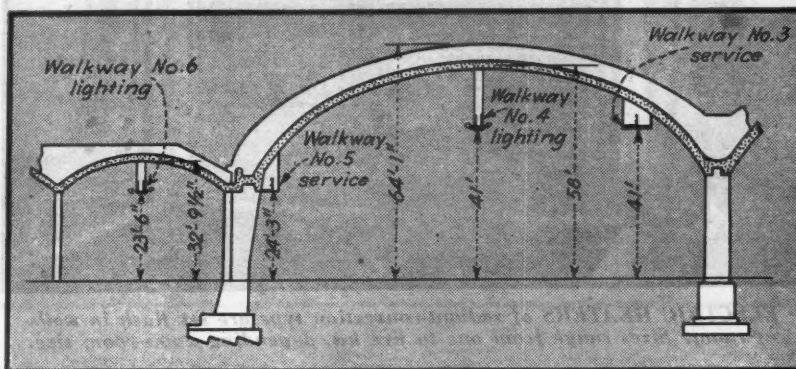
mately 18 ft. by 20 ft. centers, (b) direct lighting using 400 watt mercury vapor lamps in porcelain enameled steel high bay reflectors on approximately 13 ft. by 13 ft. centers, (c) direct lighting using a combination of 1500 watt incandescent and 400 watt mercury vapor lamps in twin porcelain enameled steel high bay reflectors on approximately 24 ft. by 22 ft. centers, (d) direct lighting using 100 watt daylight fluorescent lamps in two-lamp porcelain enameled reflectors mounted in continuous strips on approximately 15 ft. spacings, (e) an indirect lighting system using 3000 watt mercury vapor lamps.

These analyses included the initial investment for luminaires and lamps; the cost of auxiliaries where required; the cost of installation; the cost of walk-ways where recommended; the cost of service trucks where suggested; the cost of painting where essential to the lighting system. Then, this initial investment for each system was amortized on a basis of eight years, five years and three years. Additionally, the service costs were analyzed, establishing the kilowatts; the kilowatt-hours per year on 8000, 5000 and 3000 hours burning; the annual energy cost on the same basis; the number and cost of lamp renewals; the man hours for relamping and servicing of each unit; the actual maintenance cost of labor and, additionally, the cost of repainting the interior of the plant where recommended as a specific requirement for lighting purposes. Thus, for each system, there was an estimate of the annual servicing cost plus the annual capital charges. The result of these studies pointed to the probability that the totally indirect 3000 watt mercury system could be justified on an economic basis.

There were many circumstances in this particular project which gave rise to the hope that a satisfactory and acceptable solution could be obtained with an indirect lighting system. The curvature of the ceiling of the tunnel-like bays indicated the possibility of using these ceilings as a natural reflector. If a light source of sufficient candle-power could be suspended from the zenith of the arch to approximately the mounting height already established by the limitations of the Monorail system, the curvature of the ceiling would act as an integrator to produce almost even illumination throughout the working areas. From such a light center position, the maximum to minimum ratios in distribution of light flux to the floor level was computed to be 1.25 to 1.



**SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM** of lighting distribution. Lighting control cabinets are located on floor at building columns. Safety switches and mercury ballasts are mounted on catwalks.



**SECTION** showing high-bay and low-bay dimensions. The two high-bays are 135 feet wide while the six low-bays each span 50 feet. All bays are 1800 feet long.

The 3000 watt mercury vapor lamp gave promise of meeting these requirements. It was therefore conceived that a continuous cat-walk should be suspended from the center of the ceiling of each bay. In the large bays the cat-walk would be suspended 17 feet from the zenith of the arch, thus providing the 41 foot clearance above floor level which was required. In the small bays the cat-walks would be suspended at a maximum of 9½ feet from the zenith of the arch, providing the 23 ft. 6 in. clearance stipulated for this area. Thus, there was suspended from each arched ceiling a continuous cat-walk 1800 feet long or, in the total of 8 cat-walks, some 2.7 miles of lighting system. On either side of these cat-walks were to be mounted specially designed reflectors spaced at regular intervals.

Each reflector was to house a 3000 watt mercury vapor lamp. The concrete ceiling was to be painted a matte white of not less than 80 per cent reflectivity.

Actually, however, in view of the fact that considerable female help would be employed in this plant and

realizing that objections might be raised based on a personal appearance of the employees under the blue-green predominance of a straight mercury vapor installation, it was decided that an incandescent component should be added.

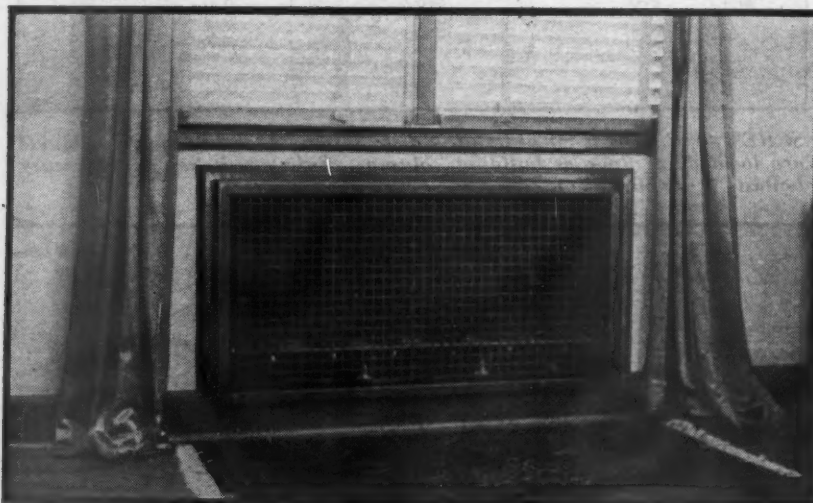
The installation itself has many unique features. Electric service for the entire plant is furnished at 66,000 volts and is stepped down at the main sub-station to 13,200 volts. Power is transmitted at this voltage through underground ducts to eight indoor sub-stations in the assembly building.

Located at each of the eight sub-stations is a 750 k.v.a. transformer for lighting service. Each transformer steps down the potential from 13.2 k.v. to 460 volts whence it is distributed by a three phase bus through 6-200 ampere, 3 pole air circuit breakers incorporated in a unit sub-station. From each air circuit breaker service is carried to a section of the cat-walk where it is split into several lighting circuits. Each lighting circuit is protected by a 60 ampere 3 pole safety switch and is remotely energized by a pilot circuit

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# HEATING SMALL HOMES

**A report of experiences with electric house heating in the Tennessee Valley presenting data on typical wiring layouts and energy costs.**



**ELECTRIC HEATERS** of radiant-convection type are set flush in walls of room. Sizes range from one to five kw. depending upon room size.

**E**LECTRICITY for house heating is not a new subject. As early as 1914, homes in the Northwest were being heated electrically. By 1920 there were over 2000 homes in Tacoma, Washington so heated. Prior to the war electric house heating spread rather rapidly on the west coast, particularly in central California. However, electric rates and the seasonal nature of the load were retarding factors.

The use of electricity for house heating in the Tennessee Valley began about 1935 when the introduction of low-rate energy made it economically feasible. Today there are about 1000 electrically heated homes scattered throughout Tennessee and the northern parts of Alabama and Mississippi. Public acceptance is quite well established in this area and customers have found that electric heating numbers among its advantages—cleanliness, elimination of fuel storage and waste removal, quick availability of heat when required. Recent inquiries indicate the existence of a keen interest in this development and at least four investment builders have expressed inten-

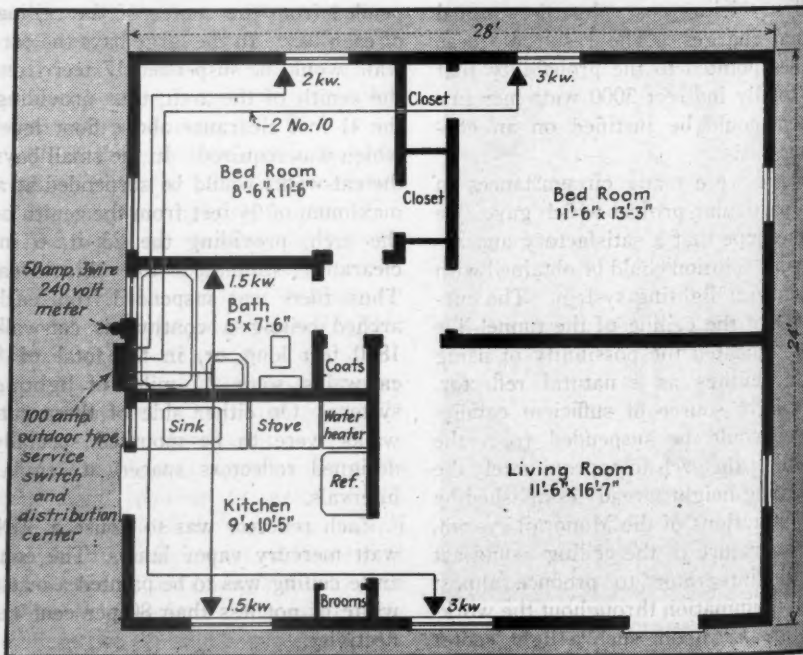
tions of building several new "all-electric" homes, including electric heating, as soon as materials are available.

This interest has stimulated much discussion and raised a number of pertinent questions regarding the

amount of energy required and the cost of heating homes of different size and types of construction, the load demands of a heating installation and when they occur. To answer some of these questions, TVA, through the extensive cooperation of various power distributors, has collected data on a number of typical electrically heated homes, including size of house, volume of space, heating installation, kwh. used, load demand records and the annual energy cost. The data is presented in accompanying table.

## Factors Affecting Heat Requirements

Regardless of the method used to heat a house, certain basic principles concerning the heat requirements and heat losses of the structure itself must be observed. Various combinations of materials are employed in house construction. The rate of heat transfer through walls, ceilings, and floors has been the subject of intensive laboratory study and data are available for computing the theoretical heat losses from any building. Due to conditions of occupancy, however, the actual amount of heat used in a given home may vary quite widely from such theoretical values. Irregular living habits, the



**TYPICAL WIRING LAYOUT** for electric heating installations in small homes. Heaters in each room (radiant-convection type) are controlled by individual thermostats.

*From a paper presented at the A.I.E.E. summer technical session at St. Louis.*



# ELECTRICALLY

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**TABLE I... ANALYSIS OF ELECTRIC HEATING FOR 30 HOMES**

(Averages per house in size groups)

No. Rooms	Volume Cu. Ft.	Connected Load-Kw.		Annual KWH.		Annual Energy Cost	
		Total	Heating	Total	Heating	Total	Heating
4	6,240	28.79	13.98	14,848	9,314	\$126.80	\$48.50
5	7,500	31.00	16.50	16,910	10,186	134.84	52.14
6	11,780	37.60	23.00	22,399	15,551	174.78	89.58
9	11,922	50.50	32.90	23,751	17,763	184.39	105.07
Average per house	8,930	34.28	19.48	18,278	12,052	147.07	65.98
Average per room	1,685		3.67		2,274		12.40
Average per cubic foot			2.18 watts		1.35		.0074

Note: The group of 30 residences from which the above averages were derived consisted of 10 each of the four- and five-room houses and five each of the six- and nine-room houses.

number of rooms constantly heated, absence from home, the presence of children or elderly people in the home, differences in retiring time and many other factors affect the heat requirements of the home. In fact, these frequently have more effect on the amount of current used than the difference in degree-days.

For the purpose of clarification—a degree day is a unit based upon the temperature difference, in Fahrenheit degrees, between the mean temperature of the outside air over a 24-hour period and 65 degrees F. The mean temperature is the average of the maximum and minimum temperatures of the period. The Tennessee Valley lies within a region of moderate climate, with normal winters averaging about 3,200 degree-days (southern portion, 2,500; northern boundary, 4,000).

## Majority of Houses Small

Electric heating in this area has been confined almost wholly to what might be termed small homes—having a volume of heated space ranging from 6,000 to 9,000 cubic feet. A few are as large as 12,000 cubic feet.

A small four-room (6,240 cu. ft. volume) well-insulated house (see typical layout) will have a heat loss

of about 35,000 B.t.u. per hour based on a temperature difference of 70 degrees between the outside air and room temperature. This is 500 B.t.u. per hour for each degree difference. The theoretical load for a 30-degree day would, therefore, be 15,000 B.t.u. per hour—or 106 kwh. for a 24-hour day. With a 3,500 degree-day heating season, such a house would require 12,600 kwh.—based on the assumption that all parts of the house would be heated to the same temperature all the time. In actual practice this is never true since much of the time there is little or no heat used in the bedrooms—resulting in the actual heat used being less than the computed values.

## Energy Used for Heating

The estimated average amount of current used for heating is indicated in Table 1. These values were determined from records of amounts of current actually used, with the kwh. used during the summer months as a base from which was calculated the amount of current used for non-heating purposes. The average amount of current to heat a four-room house was 9,300 kwh. per heating season; for a five-room house, 10,200 kwh.; for a six-room house, 15,500 kwh.; for a nine-

room house, 17,760 kwh. Records were kept on a group of 10 four-room, 10 five-room, 5 six-room and 5 nine-room houses. The average for the 30 houses was 1.35 kwh. per cubic foot per season at a cost of 7.4 mills per cubic foot based on the standard TVA residential rate.

Further analysis of data revealed that it required from 20 to 35 percent less current to heat well-insulated houses than those homes with poor or no insulation.

When evaluating the "cost" of electric heating as against other means, comparison should not be made on a "cost of fuel" basis alone. Other savings must be taken into consideration such as economies in cleaning and redecorating which users of electric heating are quick to point out. Also the total construction cost of the house can be reduced through the elimination or better use of space required for the conventional heating plant, elimination of chimney, etc. Cost studies must be made on an over-all basis.

The installation cost of electric heating systems in these homes, including necessary wiring, heaters, and prorated additions to the service and meter equipment averages about \$25.00 per kilowatt.

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# POLE FOR Relamping Fluorescents

Unique design of pole-mounted clamp for replacing starters and tubes from the floor.

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THE old method formerly used to replace fluorescent lamps and starters in open faced two-tube 100 watt industrial fixtures required the use of a twelve foot platform type of step ladder. (An extension ladder in our high ceiling building was out of question.) Because of the ladder's size and weight the maintenance man was constantly maneuvering his ladder around the congested plant in order to work on the lights. In many cases, the machinery below the lighting fixture was in such location and of such nature that it required the straddling of the machine by the ladder, which required additional help in placing the ladder. The vast majority of the man's time was spent, not in lamp maintenance,

but in positioning his ladder.

To eliminate this cumbersome procedure, a device known to us as a "tube and starter pole" was designed and made of materials on hand. It has been in use now for some time and is obviously the solution to our problem and can be converted, in most cases, very easily to the particular make of open faced fixture any plant might have installed. The entire operation now of replacing the 100 watt fluorescent tubes and starters is easily done by one man who does all his work from the floor level. This also increases his ability to do the same amount of replacement in at least half the time with resultant savings. The new method, in addition, eliminates all ladder haz-

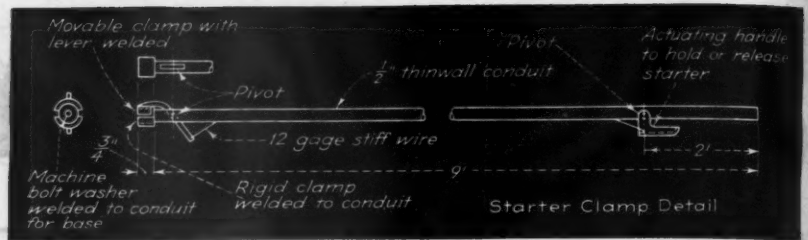
ards of the old method.

The "tube and starter pole" is a combination device. One end is used to handle the starter replacement while, by simply turning the pole end for end, the workman can use the same pole for tube replacement.

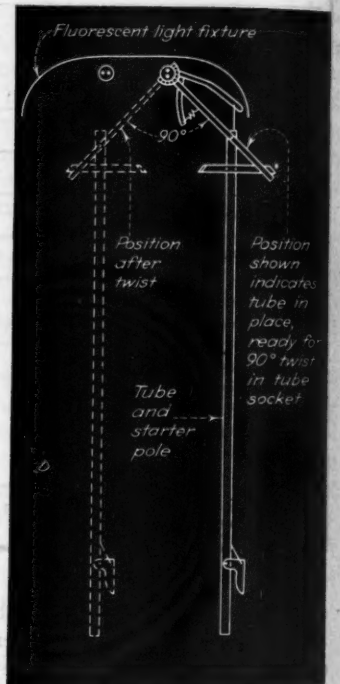
The accompanying diagram explains in detail the mechanism of the "tube and starter pole." The important detail and dimensions are given and enough explanation shown on the sketches to permit construction of a similar pole to meet the requirements of the particular plant installation. Each working mechanism is shown alone to clarify detail, and can be combined by placing them on opposite ends of the same pole. The pole is of  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thinwall conduit for rigidity and light weight. The entire weight of the complete unit is five pounds.

To use the pole, it is seen that the

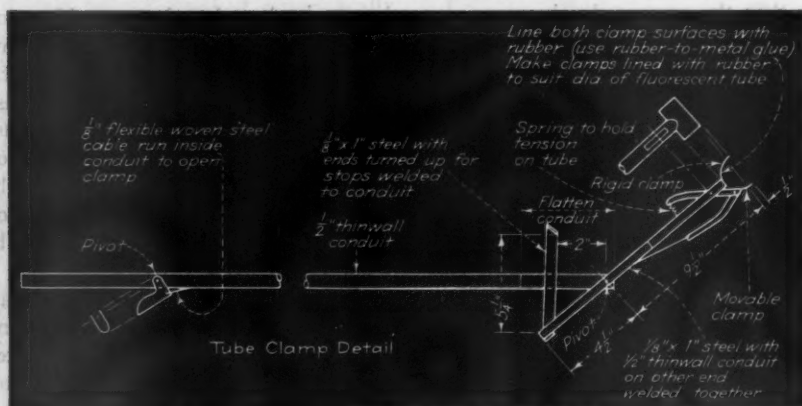
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CLAMP DETAIL of pole-end used for starter replacement. Note moving and stationary clamp jaws with handle release.



MOVING POLE from one side to the other automatically moves the pivoted arm through 90 degrees turning the tube through the same arc and locking it into position.



DETAIL of tube end of pole showing clamp mechanism mounted at end of pivoting arm.



# Cable Loops SPEED WIRING

**Cut to size, stripped and ready to install, prepared cable loops speed war housing construction jobs.**

**M**ORE than 50 factories are turning out prefabricated homes for the Federal Public Housing Authority and hundreds of contractors are employing some form of on-the-site fabrication or assembly. Standard sizes and dimensions have resulted in time saving wiring techniques on cable work in on-the-site construction and factory prefabrication includes facilities for connections as walls and roofs are assembled.

During the manufacture of the various sections, the cable runs and junction boxes are attached to the supporting studs. Then as the various "wired" studs are nailed into place in the wall or ceiling section, cable-ends are brought out through the plate. This enables the wireman at the job site to pull out all slack for run to ceiling, or base outlet, or junction point as the case may be.



**CABLE CUT to seven standard lengths fit all runs. Electricians select exact number needed for one house. Cable ends are already stripped and cleaned.**

Various systems are used for connections during assembly of wall sections. Sometimes cables are attached to connector points which connect automatically when the panels are bolted together during erection. Often the cables are picked up over the ceiling or under the floor and connected

through conventional junction boxes.

In some types of prefabricated homes chases for wiring are provided by rabbetting exterior stud members of exterior or interior wall panels at the base. Wiring is installed conventionally after erection and the base applied by carpenters when they trim.



**FACTORY FABRICATION** process shows how main entrance cable and box are attached to a supporting stud.



**WALL PANELS** are wired during manufacture. Boxes and cable are installed before panels are closed.

# EDITORIALS

W. T. Stuart, Editor

## The NECA Meeting

Among the largest meetings in the history of the National Electrical Contractors Association, the French Lick conference last month set some important industry policies and objectives. It remains for the headquarters staff, the active committees and the members to carry them out.

Reactivation of committee work on technical projects was particularly heartening. The Codes and Standards Committee, facing the 1945 Code revision and the standardization problems which postwar freedom from emergency regulations will bring, devoted hours of conferences to such questions as No. 12 wire minimum and safety switch ratings. A large panel of estimators worked with George Patterson on revising and bringing up to date valuable cost and labor data. Wartime methods and advanced tooling have contributed much to this highly technical field and the experience should be made a part of industry data as promptly as possible.

In policy, NECA grows stronger and more confident against a background of wartime performance. The field service under Paul Geary has eliminated the sense of remoteness from headquarters which too frequently weakens organizations which must operate on a national scale. The increased emphasis on chapter activities and responsibilities is also contributing to stronger local action. The predominance of labor relations as a major function of the organization is still evident. Equal energy and vigorous action in market development would create a better balance. The proposed advertising campaign is a step in that direction and deserves enthusiastic support. There is also a real need for industry research, along the lines developed by Walter Collins in Chicago. Factual data supported by continued research is vitally important to a sound market development program.

The 1944 meeting disclosed further growth in membership and a sound fiscal policy. NECA has built well and can look forward confidently to the

postwar era, which will bring many new responsibilities and challenges to new achievement.

## Indirect Industrial Lighting

In the preceding pages of this issue is the report of a lighting installation involving inverted units with the useful light reflected from the ceiling. In our opinion, this job marks a new milestone in the progress of applied lighting.

Totally indirect lighting is hardly new, but since the advent of the fluorescent lamp, with its low brightness level, there has been so much interest in greater foot-candle levels on the working plane that many useful and proven methods of light control have been ignored in an effort to push the lightmeter up another point.

The 3000 watt lamp, providing a high concentration of light, provides a lighting tool, however, that lends itself to indirect lighting methods. Practically perfect diffusion and quality was the result at Budd Field.

The combination of high foot-candle levels with high quality and complete elimination of glare in production lighting is an important step ahead.

## Veteran Apprenticeship

To accompany reconversion after the defeat of Germany, the War Manpower Commission is planning to provide many veterans with an opportunity to learn trades through formal apprenticeship, chiefly in the metal working and construction trades.

It is intended that apprenticeship selection methods that have proved successful for non-veterans should apply to returning veterans, except for age and, in certain instances, physical requirements. At a recent meeting of apprentice training directors, it was the opinion of those attending that (1) The veteran's age should be considered the same as when he entered

the armed forces. (2) Consideration should be given to physically disabled veterans to the extent that they are able to do the work required. (3) Credit should be given for previous training or experience and consideration should be given to the veteran's maturity.

This plan comes at a time when electrical contractors and unions are giving much thought to apprentice training. It is one which can be carried into existing apprentice training programs very effectively. Edward Brown of IBEW and Robert McChesney of NECA participated in the conference out of which the plan was developed. It should have full support.

With electrical work growing in complexity and demanding new skills and training, it is essential that we develop a sound program of apprenticeship that will attract good men and give them a thorough groundwork. The men who will provide the technical skills and workmanship for postwar are in the services today. They should be given every opportunity.

## Night Baseball On New Guinea

Play under lights in the New Guinea area is baseball news but play under indirect light—that's electrical news. Billy Sanders described the job in a letter home. Lou O'Neill sportswriter for the Long Island Daily Star tells the story.

The jungle league field needed light for night play. To get the proper lighting effect required poles 50 feet high. The boys cut down 12 coconut trees and placed them around the field. Then they built reflectors of boards at the top of the poles and painted them white, they measured 20 by 20 feet. About 12 feet from the bottom of each pole they placed a searchlight of 800,000,000 candlepower with the beam focused on the reflectors at the top of the pole. Four 750-watt floodlights were placed around home plate to eliminate possible shadows.



So there you are, night baseball under indirect lighting from anti-aircraft searchlights. The industry can use plenty of this kind of ingenuity in the postwar days ahead.

## Appraisers Should Learn Wiring Values

Appraisal chart, giving the loan value of electric wiring in residences has been worked out by the Pacific Coast Electrical Association. Lending agencies are enabled to earmark the amount of the loan represented by wiring. Two of the largest chain banking interests in California have called meetings of their home loan department men and appraisers to study the chart and the relation of appraisal values to adequacy.

It will be a strong lift to adequate wiring if more lending agencies could be told the story. The value of adequate wiring to the user is plenty more than what it costs. Nevertheless, it would be helpful if features of electrical adequacy were promptly and accurately recognized by the appraiser.

## Protection Against Anti-Trust Violation

Walter Walsh, attorney for the San Francisco Electrical Contractors Association, which recently successfully defeated an anti-trust indictment, proposes an amendment to the Sherman act that would protect business against unnecessary expense and would solve the trade association's problem.

The amendment, which he credits to B. A. Javits, is essentially that any group whose activities might run afoul of the anti-trust laws could file a petition in the U. S. District Court, serve a copy upon the anti-trust division, and publish a notice of hearing to determine the legality of the proposed contract or activity.

At the hearing the public would have a right to intervene, all those in the industry would have the right to be heard. The court would approve or disapprove the proposed contract. Activities under an approved contract could not then be assailed by the Federal government. If the government at a future time had an objection, they could then issue a cease and desist order which would permit the organization to liquidate or modify the practices and no criminal or civil action would lie against the members.

This is an eminently sensible plan. It should be considered carefully by the Congress and this or a similar amendment be drawn to protect business men in their trade association activities.

## Bare Neutral

Before every Code revision, the question of bare neutral conductors is bound to come up. It is under discussion now by code committees. It is very unlikely that the much talked about system will be approved. The trend is, in fact, pretty much the other way.

The last serious contemplation of the practice of using uninsulated neutral conductors came with the early stages of material restrictions. Rubber was critically scarce. Emergency insulators were developed which could be used for the grounded neutral. And if more persuasive arguments for adopting bare neutral systems have since come forward we haven't heard them.

With the increased load and more complex systems in prospect after the war, there is more reason than ever to provide substantial insulation on all current carrying conductors. The distinction between grounded neutral conductors and grounding conductors becomes more important as currents increase.

If about half the energy that has gone into attempts to strip the insulation of neutral conductors could be devoted to improving grounding practice in the interest of rapidity, we should be far better off.

## Conduit Controls Now Relaxed

Restrictions on the installation of conduit, tubing and other metallic raceways have been removed by an amendment to limitation order L 225. While controls remain at the manufacturing level and through priority rating, the particularly difficult restrictions on use need no longer be considered in layout and installation.

This is a much needed amendment and evidence of the progress in WPB toward dropping restrictive orders at the earliest practical moment. Other rules affecting construction at the operating or installation level are also due for amendment soon.

## Washington Notes

► Successful invasion of the Philippines is reviving predictions once voiced privately by Navy men that the Pacific theater operations may come to a conclusion very soon after the collapse of Germany. Program cutbacks scheduled for V-E Day are sufficiently moderate, however, to indicate that those responsible for materials are not so hopeful.

► WPB's spot authorization plan is moving ahead without much fanfare. Civilian goods production has been authorized in about 750 plants where the shift could be made without interfering with war work.

► Surplus property sales are increasing. Long lists of electrical materials are among the items now being offered. Many of the items, however, are specialties.

► Manpower controls are being tightened, particularly along the West Coast. Several programs are under schedule, practically all due to manpower problems. Heavy ammunition, heavy trucks and certain combat vessels are among the most critical programs.

► The N.H.A. predicts that 12,600,000 non-farm houses and apartment units will be required in the first postwar decade.

► Restrictions on installation of electrical conduit, metallic tubing and raceways have been removed from L 225, but the amount of metal which may be used in manufacture is still limited on the basis of the amount used in 1941. The order also retains the provision that manufacturers and distributors may sell only to holders of AA 5 ratings or better.

► Also revoked is L 168 which controlled blackout and dimout lighting fixtures. Production and sale has practically ceased.

► Civilian goods from reconversion will be priced at 1942 levels according to OPA. No change in pricing policy is contemplated for civilian goods during the war.

► WPB is far ahead of other government agencies in preparation for V-E Day. Some 350 orders are ready to be dropped.

► Termination of war contracts promises to require a huge staff of trained men. Government people hope that industry will volunteer its best men to this all important job. Much of the job will be hard, thankless work but the national economy may depend on how well it is done.

BRIEF ARTICLES about practical methods of installation and maintaining electrical wiring and equipment and up-to-date estimating and office practices. Readers are invited to contribute items from their experience to this department. All articles used will be paid for.

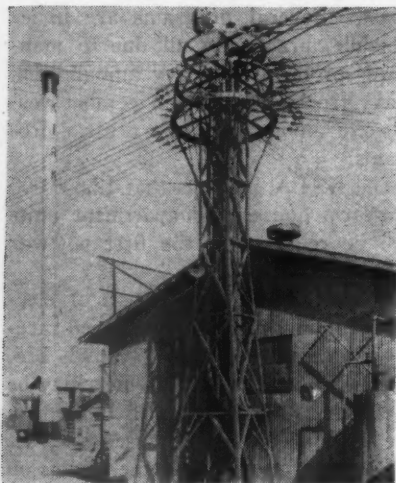
# PRACTICAL METHODS

## TOWER FOR OVERHEAD DISTRIBUTION

INDUSTRIAL

L. J. Meller, of the Meller Electric Co., Huntington Park, Calif., originated and built this distribution tower in an unusual industrial application.

Nine hundred horsepower was to be distributed, three phase, 220 volts to 15 buildings of the Morris P. Kirk &



*DISTRIBUTION* circuits radiate to fifteen buildings from this central tower.

Sons plant, Los Angeles. These buildings are scattered over a tract 300 feet in radius, the whole site being constructed on ground consisting of furnace-slag, almost impossible to excavate without blasting.

So it was decided to go through the air and this 33-ft. tower was built to carry the spans. Legs and braces of the tower are of angle iron and in the beginning three rings were mounted on the top as shown by the photograph, to give attachment for the strain insulators. A fourth ring has been added recently for further circuits. Reading from the bottom, the rings are 8 ft., 6 ft. 7 ins. and 4 ft. in diameter. Conduit runs for the 15 circuits are brought out from the adjoining building where the panel board is located and run up through the center of the

tower. The panel board is equipped with a 2400-amp. main switch. On one circuit the weight of copper is 1340 lbs., on a span of 180 ft.

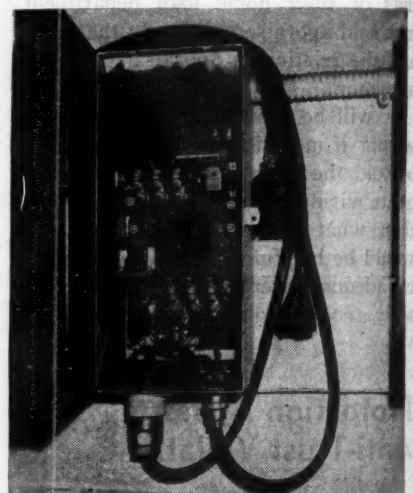
"For expansion purposes during the war, this has been a life saver," said Mr. Meller. We could go any place with the system on short notice and without interrupting activities anywhere on the site as would be the case in making excavations.

## MOTOR TEST EQUIPMENT

INDUSTRIAL

Running-tests on motors that have been removed for maintenance are made in the plant electric shop of the Harrisburg Steel Corporation. One wall of the shop is devoted to starting equipment for every type of motor used in the plant. The large starter on the right in the accompanying illustration is used to test all the d-c crane motors and will handle up to 35 horse-

power at 250 volts d-c. The three starters in the center are equipped to handle maximum ratings of 10 hp., 30 hp. and 60 hp. respectively at 440 volts three phase. The starter on the



*CLOSE-UP* of large 440 volt test starter showing portable cables to motor leads and pushbutton circuit. Extension of pushbutton circuit permits operator to be at motor side while starting and stopping to observe action.



*STARTERS FOR RUNNING-TESTS* on motors in the electric shop. L. to R.—the starters will handle 25 hp., 3 phase, 220 v.; 10 hp., 30 hp. and 60 hp. at 440 v., 3 phase; and (on extreme right) up to a max. of 35 hp. 250 v. d.c.



# Fluorescent operating hints

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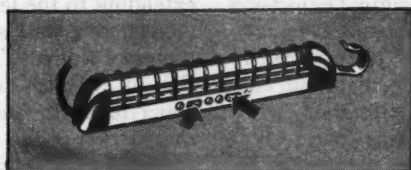


## WHICH STARTER TO USE

To light a fluorescent lamp, the two cathodes should be preheated for a short interval. The circuit must then be broken to establish the lighting arc. The fluorescent starter performs this function, acting as a time-delay switch. One starter is required for each lamp in a fixture. (Research has eliminated the starter from the fluorescent circuit in the laboratory, but starterless fluorescent equipment is not yet commercially available in quantities.) Following are the types of starters in most common use today:

### MANUAL STARTER

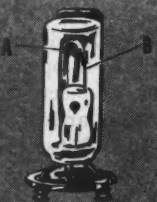
Manual starters are the simplest type and are used principally on desk lamps or other portable fixtures. For



example, in the Sylvania P-7 Fluorescent Extension Cord Lamp shown above, one switch turns on the current, and a second is pressed until the ends of the lamp glow to indicate adequate preheating. Then, the second switch is opened so that the lamp can strike its lighting arc. Manual starting is impractical for large installations or inaccessible fixtures, for which the following types of automatic starters have been developed.

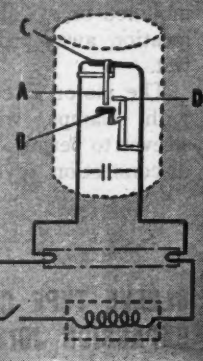
### GLOW TYPE

Glass bulb of starter is filled with low-pressure Argon gas. Current makes gas glow, and the resultant heat causes bimetal strip *A* to move over to make contact with *B*, thus preheating the lamp cathodes. This extinguishes the glow in the starter, thus cooling *A* and causing contacts to open. Current then establishes the lighting arc through the fluorescent lamp. Sylvania glow-type starters are manufactured under the name of Glostat, a quick-acting, rugged starter recommended for small and medium-sized fluorescent installations.

	
With Lamps of this Wattage	Use Sylvania Glostat Model
30-40	FS-4
15-20	FS-2
4-6-8	FS-5

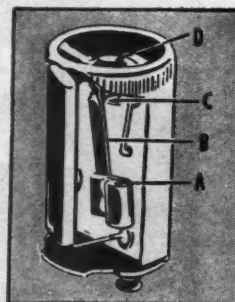
### THERMAL TYPE

In a thermal or resistance-heat-operated starter, when the line switch is closed, the bimetal operating strip *A* is touching carbon contact *B*, thus allowing the current to preheat the lamp cathodes. However, the heat generated by the current at this point of contact causes the bimetal *A* to move away from *B*, thus causing the current to strike the lighting arc. *A* is kept away from *B* by heat generated in resistor *C*, which is subjected to the same voltage as the lamp. In restarting, after a momentary interruption of current, *C* is subjected to full-line voltage, and the additional heat causes *A* to bend until it touches restart contact *D*. This allows current to preheat the cathodes again; but, at the same time, it short-circuits *C*, so that *A* moves away from *D*, causing the current to strike a lighting arc again. The Sylvania thermal-type starter is the Mirastat.

	
With Lamps of this Wattage	Use Sylvania Mirastat Model
15-20	M2
30-40	M4
65	M7
100	M6

### CUT-OUT (PUSHBUTTON) TYPE

When a lamp fails, automatic starters continue to make an effort to light the lamp. This causes blinking, wastes current, and injures the starter and ballast. Where immediate lamp replacement is impractical, use a starter with a mechanism that cuts the failed lamp out of circuit automatically. Cut-out starters are the thermal type with circuit breaker consisting of a small resistor *A*, a bimetal latch *B* as one contact, and a phosphor bronze spring *C* as the other contact. The current passes through these elements, which are held in contact position by the latch. When a lamp fails, heat is generated in *A*, which releases *C* and cuts the lamp out of the circuit. With a new lamp in place, the circuit breaker can be reset by pushing button *D*. Pushbutton starters last five to ten times longer than automatic starters, and they eliminate blinking. They are recommended particularly for large installations where the investment in fixtures and lamps is considerable. The Sylvania pushbutton starter is the COP (Cut-Out-Premium), available in model COP-4 for 40-watt lamps.



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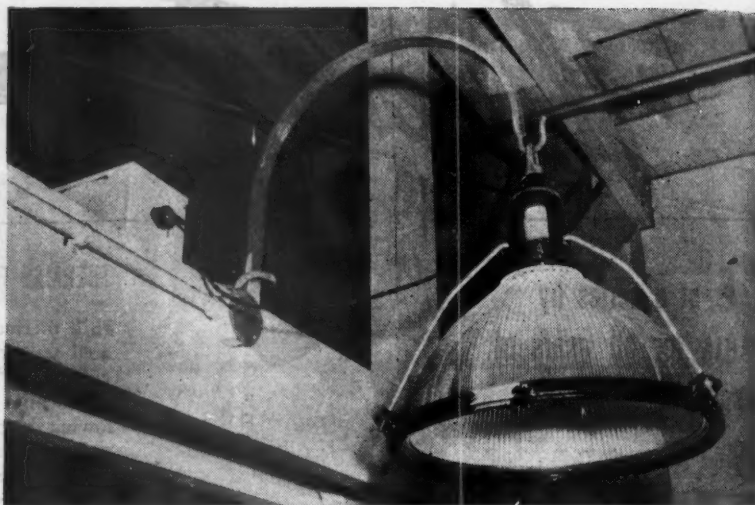
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extreme left (with cover removed) tests 220 volt three phase motors up to 25 horsepower.

Each starter is magnetic type and is equipped with two portable cords; one for the motor circuit, and the other for the pushbutton circuit. This permits the operator to safely observe starting and stopping the motor without turning his back to throw a switch mounted on a wall or at some remote location away from the motor under test.

The motor circuit cord is equipped with clamps with rubber-jacketed sleeves to permit quick connection and disconnection to motor leads.

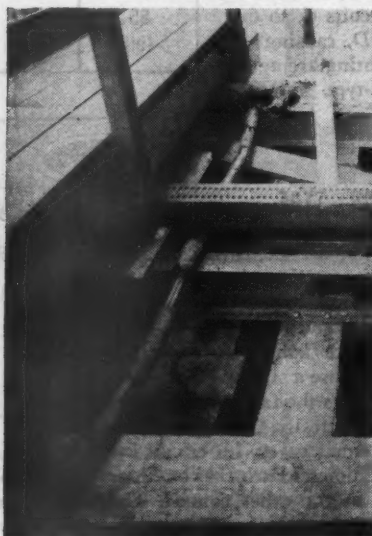


**HIGH-BAY MERCURY UNITS** have been hung with an eye to easy maintenance in the fabricating shops of the Bethlehem-Hingham shipyard in Boston. Fixtures hang from hooks on the end of long goosenecks bolted to the wooden building chords. Plugs permit the units to be removed and lowered for easier, quicker cleaning to maintain high lighting levels.

## SLEEVE TYPE CONDUIT EXPANSION JOINT

WIRING

When the Chicago Park District tore up a section of sidewalk on the elevated portion of Michigan Avenue



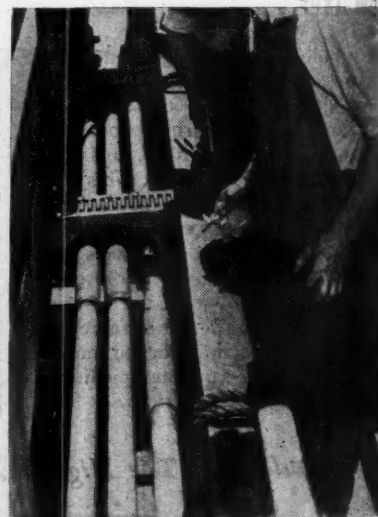
**BOULEVARD LIGHTING** is maintained by these existing cables, protected by shattered sections of fibre duct, while new interlocking-finger type of sidewalk expansion joint is being installed. Note how cables must duck under the expansion joint.

to replace an expansion joint, the fibre conduit containing the boulevard lighting cables embedded in the walk were shattered as was the original expansion joint on the conduit system. New conduit expansion joints had to be installed at this point to maintain continuity of the lighting circuits.

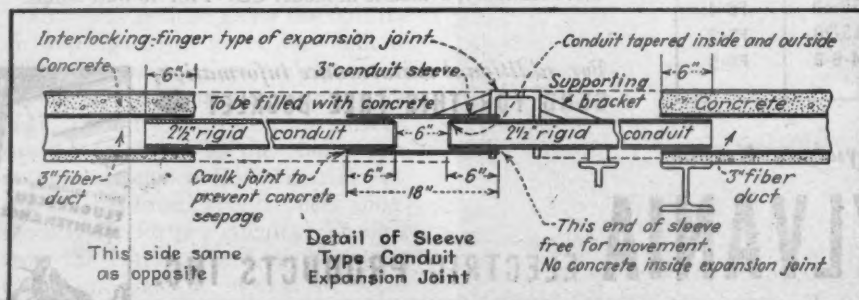
The new interlocking-finger type steel expansion joint extending the width of the 30-ft. sidewalk was at right angles to and in the same plane as the lighting conduits embedded in the walk. To permit passage of the conduit extensions, the sides of the expansion joint were cut so the extensions could maintain the same spacing and elevation as the ducts in the sidewalk.

Two sections of 2½-inch rigid steel conduit, each extending a minimum of six inches inside the 3-inch fibre ducts in the sidewalk, bridged the 12-ft. opening in the walk. Instead of meeting at the center, an expansion area of 6-inch length is maintained between these two steel conduits. Covering this open space is an 18-inch sleeve of 3-inch heavy steel conduit with a 6-inch overlap on each of the 2½-inch conduit extensions (see sketch).

Only one inch of this telescopic sleeve extends inside the interlocking-finger expansion joint—the rest of it extending to the left to be embedded in the concrete walk supported by the stationary column. The right-hand section of 2½-inch conduit, embedded in concrete up to the expansion joint in the portion of the walk supported by a "free" column, slides in and out of the 3-inch sleeve as the sidewalk and elevated roadbed expands and contracts. To permit free movement within the sleeve expansion joint and to prevent damage to the lead covered cables in the ducts, both the inner and outer edges of the 2½-inch rigid steel conduit extensions are filed down to a smooth taper.



**EXPANSION SLEEVES** are installed on rigid conduit extensions of sidewalk ducts. Sleeve on third conduit is pushed back to show the expansion tolerance between conduits. Note position of conduit sleeve with respect to sidewalk expansion joint.



**DETAIL SKETCH** of expansion sleeve joints installed by Chicago Park District to maintain continuity of street lighting ducts at an expansion-joint section of an elevated highway.



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Where the 2½-inch conduits enter the embedded fibre conduits and at the "stationary" joint of the 3-inch expansion sleeve, the joints are caulked and wrapped with ordinary friction tape. A coat of waterproofing varnish over the tape insures against any conduit seepage into the expansion joint or sidewalk ducts when the concrete is poured.

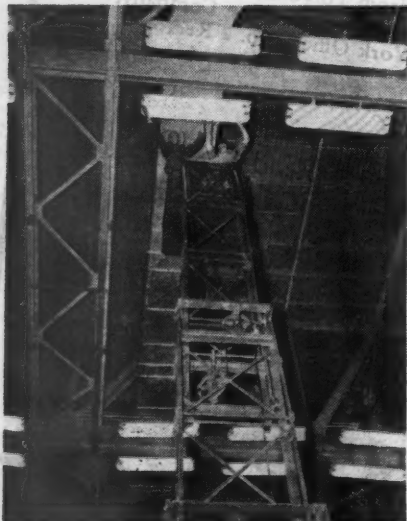
The sidewalk expansion joint was approximately half way between two hand-holes in the sidewalk, 115 feet apart. It was a simple matter to pull back the cables from one hand-hole to the other and snake them through again when the duct continuity was completed. The edges of the conduit extensions and the inside of the expansion sleeve were liberally coated with a lubricating grease to ease the pull on the re-installed cables. In all, four expansion joints of the sleeve type were installed to accommodate the four ducts in the sidewalk.

## TOASTERS FOR CURING GLUE

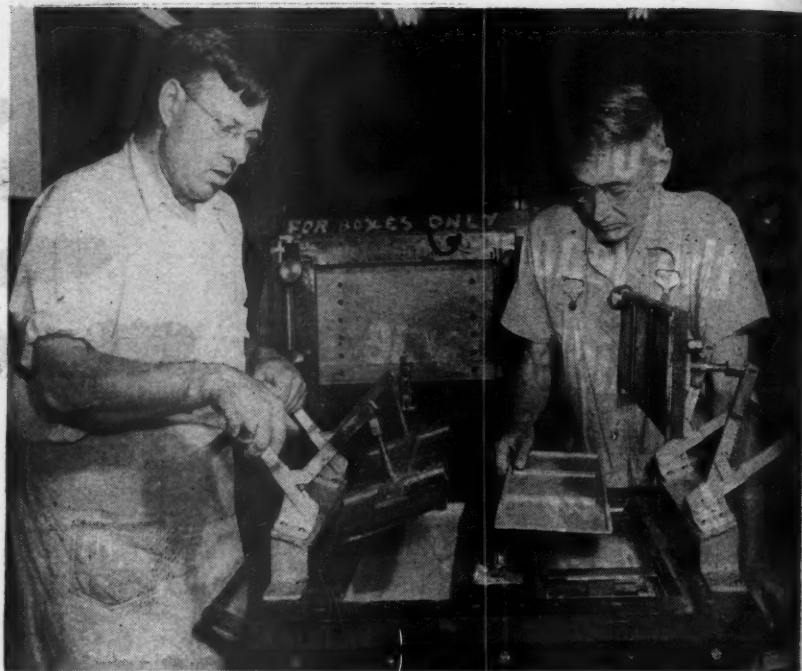
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By using a "sandwich toaster" for direct application of heat, the new glue-curing device used by the Glenn L. Martin Company now cures PBM ammunition boxes in 15 minutes instead of three hours as by the previous method.

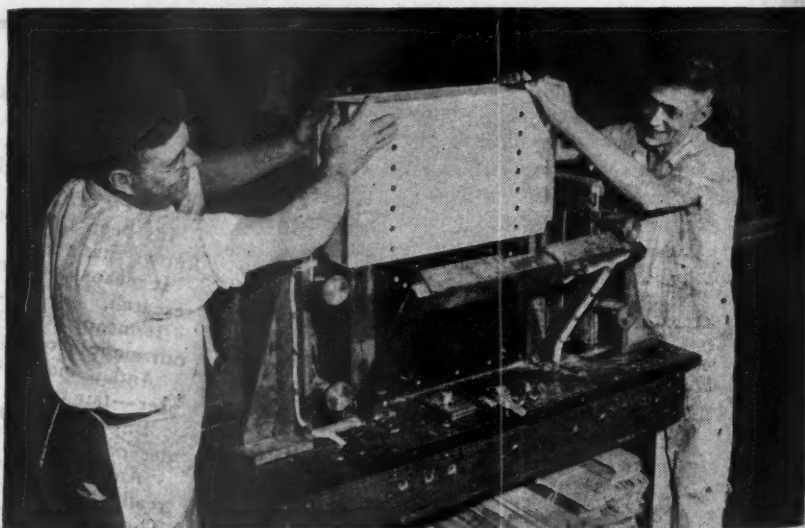
The old method took two men with three jigs to make ten boxes in 24 hours. Boxes were assembled on the jigs and baked in a curing oven for from two to four hours. The high



**TELESCOPING PLATFORM** raises maintenance electricians Howard Hart and Andon Turk high among the girders to replace RF fluorescent lamps at Consolidated Vultee's Fort Worth controlled conditions aircraft plant



**TOPS AND BOTTOMS** of plywood ammunition boxes are first cured in a device resembling a sandwich grill.



**THE ENTIRE BOX** is then placed in the second curing unit in which sides are attached to tops and bottoms.

cost of making extra jigs, tooling time involved, lack of extra personnel and valuable space in the curing oven prevented the wood shop from making more than a few boxes at a time.

The new device is made up of two jigs. On one is assembled the tops and bottoms of the ammunition boxes. The bottom is then placed on the second jig where the four sides of the box have been assembled and angles glued to corners; the device is closed, clamps placed in position, and pressure screws turned forcing parts of the assembly to be pressed solidly to the heat box. This assembly is then cured for 15 minutes, and the operation is completed.

P. J. Kraus, foreman of the wood shop, conceived the original idea, and

W. H. Bankard of the electrical department developed the two devices. A 220 volt electric air strip heater is completely enclosed in refractory material, encased in a steel sheath and covered with masonite to provide 120 degree heat without scorching the wood. Heat is thermostatically controlled so that low temperature is maintained throughout the curing process. This method of heating is less expensive than the use of high frequency.

The process is applicable to the assembly and fabrication of devices made of wood, plywood, masonite, etc., wherein the attachment of one part to another is performed with resinous synthetic glues which must be cured by the application of heat in the process of manufacture.



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- \*Better tone—style—quality . . . 42.3%
- \*More attractively designed display boards . . . 22.3%
- \*Firm price policy . . . 22.3%
- \*More and better advertising sales promotion . . . 23.8%
- \*Ease of installation—mechanical improvement—simplified repair service . . . 30.7%

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is going to be an exciting and a most profitable part of your postwar selling program.

How closely does your thinking mesh with the following *facts* culled from nation-wide retail opinion?

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**EXCERPT 4**—What percentage of those interviewed consider chimes of such importance to their sales program as to warrant special sales courses for floor personnel? The reply shows definitely that chimes loom large in postwar selling, for 81% answered with a vehement affirmative to this question.

Rittenhouse expresses its gratitude to the retailers of the nation who studied the problem and who gave of their time that the facts which comprise Part 3 of the Survey could be compiled. Shortly they will be collected in a concise digest, available to all interested.

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# QUESTIONS ON THE CODE

## NEUTRAL CONDUCTORS

**Q.** "We plan to wire a hospital building and have been informed that the neutral conductors extending into the operating rooms must be isolated from ground. If this is true, will you please explain the reasons for such a ruling, the best method of complying with it, and the section of the Code where it can be found?"—F. W.

**A.** As yet this is not a requirement of the National Electrical Code but instead is a recommendation of the National Committee on Operating Room Hazards. It is an attempt to reduce the likelihood of an electrical arc or spark in a room in which explosive concentrations of anaesthetic gases are present. This recommendation is as follows:

In hazardous locations all electrical circuits should be fed by an insulating transformer which isolates them electrically from the main feeder and from other circuits in the building. This transformer should be of the dry type and should be installed outside the hazardous area. It may be considered as a special form of branch feeder. The primary winding should be connected to the main feeder, in the same manner, and with the same control and protective devices as any other branch feeder of the electrical installation. One side of the primary circuit should be grounded in an approved manner and the other side provided with an approved overcurrent device located outside the hazardous area. The primary winding should never be connected directly to a high voltage circuit. Both sides of the secondary circuit should be ungrounded and an approved overcurrent device should be provided in each side of every branch circuit connected thereto. Voltages across the ungrounded circuits should not exceed 115 volts.

In addition to the usual control and protective devices, the ungrounded system should be provided with a ground contact indicator consisting of a resistance of not less than 10,000 ohms connected across the secondary cir-

cuits. A relay, installed outside the hazardous area, should be connected with its winding between the mid-point of this resistance and ground. The relay should operate when either side of the secondary is grounded. Red and green signal lamps conspicuously installed should show the green light when no current is flowing through the relay winding and red when current is flowing and provide an indication of equipment or insulation failures.—G. R.

## LIGHTING PLANT

**Q.** Several years ago a nearby farmer had his property wired for connection to a proposed R. E. A. line. The line has not as yet been constructed, so he wants to purchase a 32 volt lighting plant to energize his wiring installation. While the original job has been approved, the local inspector claims that it must be completely revamped before a 32 volt plant can be used. Do you think it necessary to require this farmer to go to that expense?—H. M.

**A.** It would seem that if the present installation is at all extensive, that this person should purchase a 110 volt lighting plant especially if the present lighting circuits consist

of No. 14 conductors. With only a 32 volt generator, conductors, devices and equipment will have to have current ratings sufficient for the greater current required. For instance, the National Electrical Code requires that no conductors shall be smaller than No. 12 and an appliance circuit supplying more than a single outlet shall be No. 10 or larger, and that not more than 8 lamp holders or receptacles may be attached to a single circuit. It will therefore appear quite obvious that if a 32 volt plant is used the present wiring will have to be revamped considerably.—G. R.

## OVERCURRENT PROTECTION FOR TRANSFORMERS

**Q.** "Should overcurrent protection (fuses) be provided:  
**A.** When taps are made to feed transformers for control equipment on load side of motor starters? (110 or 220 V.)

**B.** When taps are made to feed transformers for control equipment on line side of motor starters? (110 or 220 V.)

1. When taps are less than five feet?
2. When taps are over five feet but less than 25 feet?
3. When taps are over 25 feet?



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


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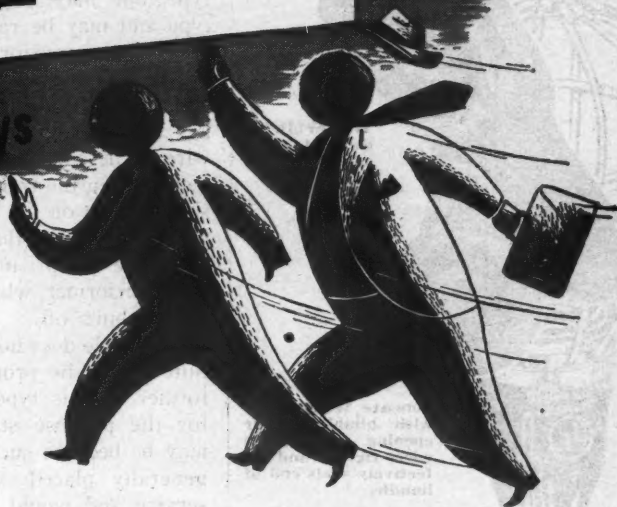


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Transformers are usually 40 to 100 watts. Control equipment is low voltage of the type used in heating, ventilating and air-conditioning."—L. D. B.

**A.** The primary question here is relative to the protection of the transformer to supply current to the remote control circuit of a motor as indicated above. There are also several other rather complicated matters involved in the whole subject of motor installation and protection.

The transformer involved in this case is generally of the bell-ringing type but may be of the signalling type and may be rated in the listings as a power transformer.

The bell-ringing type of transformer and generally also the other low voltage type usually have leads of No. 14 wire. These leads may need more protection than the transformer itself as a short circuit on the leads may be much more hazardous than a short in the fine wire comprising the windings of the transformer, which fine wires quite readily burn off.

The Code does not say anything definite about the protection of a transformer of this type nor of one used for the purpose stated above. This may be because such a transformer is generally placed on a No. 14 wire service and would of course be considered protected by a 15 ampere protective device. In this case the length of the service or of the tap would not have to be considered.

If the branch circuit which supplies the motor and also the transformer is larger than No. 14 wire and protected at over 15 amperes, we would be justified in asking that the transformer be placed on a circuit having 15 ampere protection; in other words on another circuit.

The location of the tap to the transformer, whether on the load side or on the line side of the motor protective device, must be given consideration, not so much to provide protection for the transformer but to not upset the overcurrent protection to be provided for the motor.

In the class of equipment mentioned in the question, we are dealing with a motor and its controls and protection, in the fractional horse power automatically started type where the motor protection is required to be less than 15 amperes.

We must therefore see to it that the current drawn by the transformer will not require the use of a protective device larger than that specified for the motor (140 percent of the running current of the motor). This might happen if we connect the transformer on the load side of the motor protective device (or starter).

In some installations one or two

other control transformers may be used and sometimes also an ignition transformer. This latter is very apt to be connected at the same point as the motor leads and would therefore be on the load side of the motor protective device. If all of these transformers were connected to the circuit on the load side of the motor protective device, the motor protection might be seriously affected. It is therefore better to connect the transformers on the line side.

There is, however, an exception to the above, and that is where the motor is protected by an inherent overheat protective device built into the motor. In this case, the only overcurrent device required would be the motor circuit protective device at 15 amperes and in which case the transformer or transformers could be connected anywhere on the circuit.

All of the above relates to fractional horse power motors which, as mentioned above, are placed on 15 ampere branch circuits. When we get to larger motors, on circuits of greater capacity, the problem of protection for the transformer becomes a little more involved and the code rules are not sufficiently definite on the matter. However, it seems to this writer that transformers of the type used to supply currents to control circuits, should have protection of not over 15 amperes. Of course with this provision, the length of the tap does not need to be considered as it does not fit into the stipulations given in Section 2434 c and d.—F. N. M. S.

## METAL BOXES

**Q.** "A new housing project is now under way in our city, and we understand that some kind of a concrete asbestos water main has been installed throughout this area. We wish to enter our bid for wiring these homes but understand we cannot use metal boxes if the houses are wired with non-metallic sheathed cable as required by the specifications. Is this a Code requirement?"—L. W.

**A.** Yes, the non-conductive type boxes will have to be used. Section 3716 of the National Electrical Code was revised by Interim Amendment No. 49 on June 17, 1942, to read as follows: "Non-metallic outlet boxes may be used only with open wiring on insulators, concealed knob-and-tube work, non-metallic sheathed cable and non-metallic waterproof wiring, and shall be used when such wiring systems are installed on premises where a continuous underground metallic water piping system is not available as a grounding electrode."



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This view of the drafting room at Sperry Gyroscope Company's new Nassau plant shows how thorough, uniform illumination can be secured over wide areas through the use of Corning *Flur-o-guide* Lenses. Recessed troffer units, in continuous rows, equipped with *Flur-o-guide* Lens Panels, Code No. 90818, were used in this installation. Two 40 watt fluorescent lamps are mounted in each unit. Placed on five

foot centers, this installation provides uniform lighting of approximately 80 ft. candles on the work area, with adequate shielding from light sources.

Send for a copy of "Corning Lighting Data." It contains specifications and applications on the complete line of engineered Corning *Flur-o-guide* Lenses and Panels. Address Lighting Sales Dept., EC11, Corning Glass Works, Corning, N. Y.

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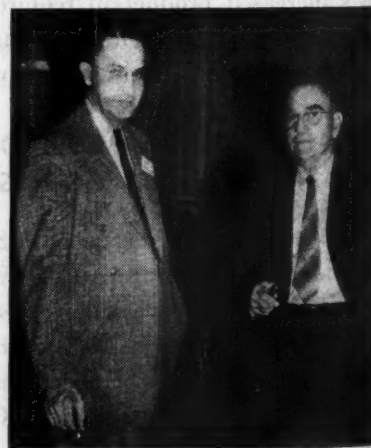
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The use of non-conductive water mains brings out another Code problem for the contractor. On this type of water main system the service pipe from the main to the building is usually copper tubing, so it has a certain amount of grounding value and in fact will in most cases offer less resistance to earth than the standard driven ground. Few contractors are equipped with proper instruments for the measurement of resistance to earth, so rather than take a chance on the service piping they invariably ground the neutral at the service to a driven rod and then fail to provide a connection between the neutral and this water service pipe. This results in a rather hazardous condition in many instances due to the difference in resistances of the two grounding mediums and will result in injury to persons or equipment. In all cases where this condition is encountered, be sure that the water service piping and the neutral are electrically connected by a standard grounding conductor.—G. R.

## GROUNDING PORTABLE TOOLS

**Q.** "What is the minimum size permissible for grounding portable electrical tools?"—M. C.

**A.** The answer to this question is found in Section 2596 of the National Electrical Code. A No. 18 copper wire may be used if the equipment to be grounded is supplied through a circuit protected by fuses or circuit breakers having a rating of 15 amperes or less. For portable tools protected at from 16 to 30 amperes the grounding conductor must be No. 14 and for tools protected at from 31 to 60 amperes the grounding conductor must be No. 10 or larger.—G. R.



**SWAPPING EXPERIENCES** at Western Section, I.A.E.I. meeting are (L to R) Glenn Rowell, electrical engineer, Fire Underwriters Inspection Bureau, Minneapolis, Minn., and Clifford Anderson, chief electrical inspector of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



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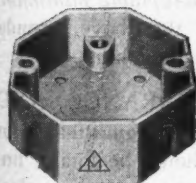
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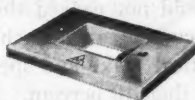
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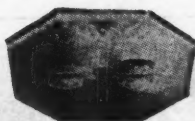
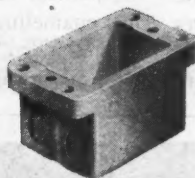
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[FROM PAGE 42]

**16. A-C STATORS AND SLIP RING ROTORS—Electrical**—Windings should be free from open circuits, short circuited coils, and cut-out coils; free from short circuits between coils and phases; free from grounds; and should have all connections properly soldered or welded and secured. All coils should be properly dipped and baked with a good grade of varnish to make the winding solid, oil and moisture resisting.

**17. ROTORS (SLIP RING AND SQUIRREL CAGE)—Mechanical**—All conductors should be tight and secure in the slots with proper slot wedges. All conductors should be secure and soldered or welded; all bands properly soldered, snug, secure and insulated from the winding which they cover. The rotor laminations should be solid and secure on the rotor spider and likewise on the shaft.

Slip rings should be solid, secure, properly insulated, and have sufficient stock to be mechanically strong.

**18. ROTORS (SQUIRREL CAGE)—Electrical**—End ring connections should be thoroughly and completely soldered or preferably brazed, and be free from open circuits.

**19. D-C FIELDS (ROTATING AND STATIONARY)—Electrical**—Field coils should be tested when hot for voltage drop over each coil, and coils should be rewound or replaced when such voltage drop measures less than 85 percent of that coil's corresponding normal share of the line voltage. Compound winding should be well insulated and free from short circuits with shunt winding; compound windings, and also interpole fields should be free from short circuits. All fields should be free from grounds.

**20. D-C ARMATURES — Electrical**—Armature winding should be free from open circuits, short circuited and cut-out coils, short circuits between coils and grounds. All connections and leads should be properly secured and winding dipped and baked with a good grade of varnish to make same solid, oil and moisture resisting.

**21. COMMUTATORS** — Commutators should be solid, tight on the shaft, and accurately machined concentric with shaft; free from carbon-

ized and short circuited segments and grounds. When copper stock is less than 50 percent of its original amount, customer should be notified of same.

Mica should be left flush or undercut as determined from the grade of mica, the grade of brush, and from the design, purpose and type of unit.

**22. BRUSH HOLDERS AND BRUSHES**—All brushholders should be thoroughly cleaned, uniform in size, equipped with an adjustable brush tension device, and proper adjusting springs and devices in good order.

Brushes of all types should be the correct size and grade for the make and type of machine in which they are installed, and should have at least 50 percent wearing stock remaining when sold.

## Tests

**23. IDLING OR EXCITING CURRENT**—The idling or exciting current in a-c motors should not exceed by more than 10 percent the original exciting current for motors of identical make and specifications. The phases must be in balance to within 20 percent between the high and low phase reading when uniform voltage is applied.

**24. FULL LOAD CURRENT** — The full load current of any piece of equipment should not exceed the normal full load current of a machine of the same identical make and specifications by more than 10 percent. In the case of two and three-phase motors and generators, full load currents in the different phases should not vary more

than 20 percent between the high and low phase reading.

**25. INSULATION RESISTANCE**—The insulation resistance between windings and the frame, as well as between all the current carrying parts and the frame, should be the safe minimum value for insulation resistance of electric motors as determined by the AIEE recommended formula:

$$\text{Megohms} = \frac{\text{Rated Voltage of Machine}}{\text{Rating in kva.}} + 1000$$

These values are:

For a 220 volt motor—0.2 megohms

For a 440 volt motor—0.4 megohms

For a 550 volt motor—0.5 megohms, etc.

While the above are the AIEE standards, many insurance companies will not accept any electrical equipment where the megohm reading is below one megohm regardless of the voltage and size of the machine. Since this is the case, and it is admitted some rebuilt motors may need to be insured by the customer, it is deemed advisable to set a standard of a minimum of one megohm insulation resistance value as the acceptable minimum, in the cases where the above formula equals less than one megohm.

**26. FINAL APPEARANCE AND SHIPPING**—The Reconditioned or Rebuilt machine should be finally finished in its entirety to a first-class mechanical and electrical job, including enameling of frame. It should be well skidded or crated for shipment, with all fragile parts protected.



BROWN ELECTRIC CO., at Little Rock, Arkansas is a father and son combination with Walter M. Brown (left) and his son Clyde handling the motor repair business.



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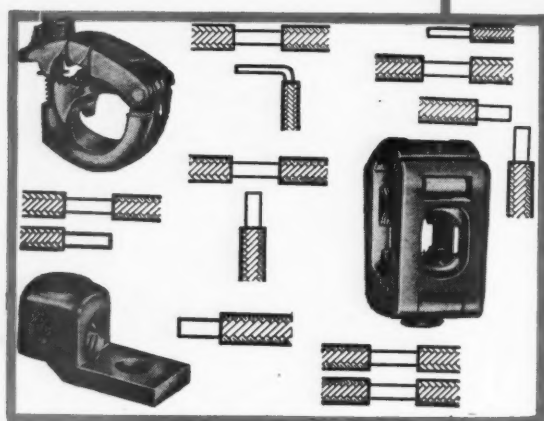
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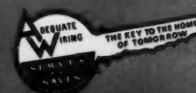
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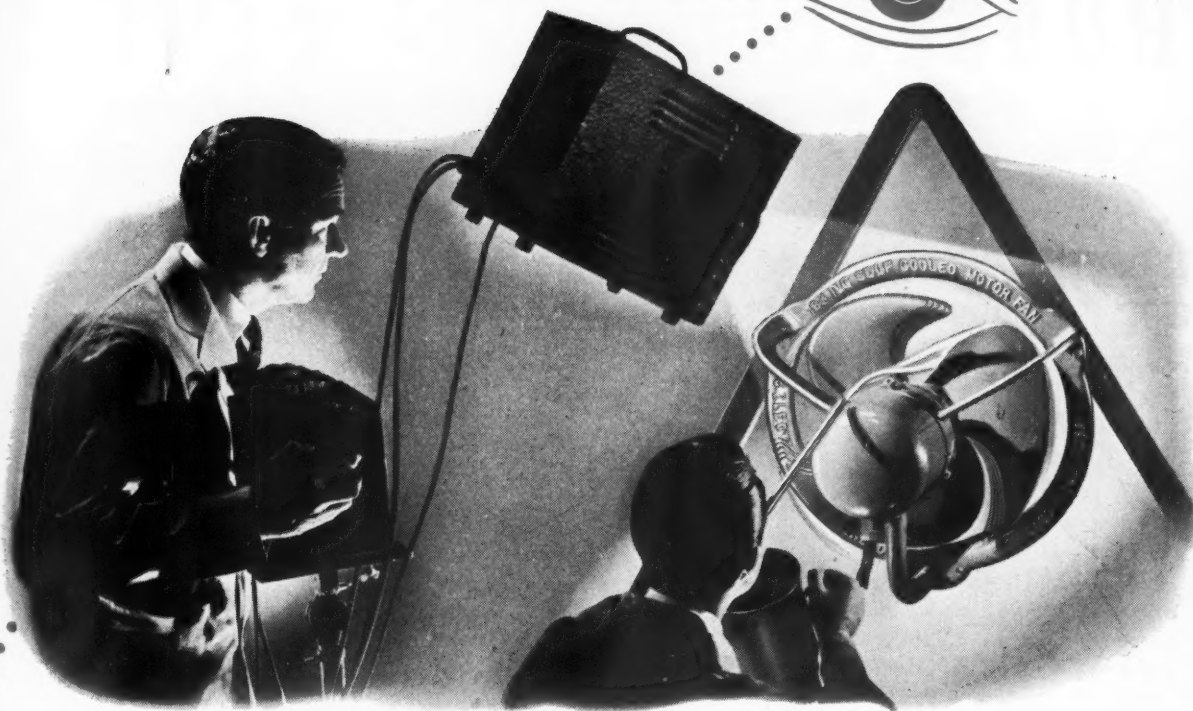


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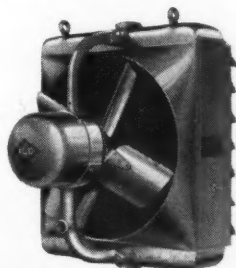
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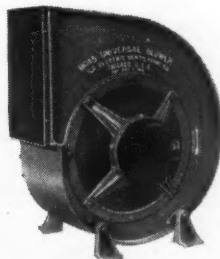


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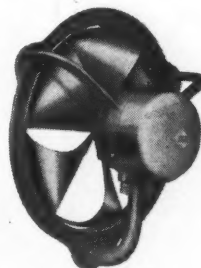
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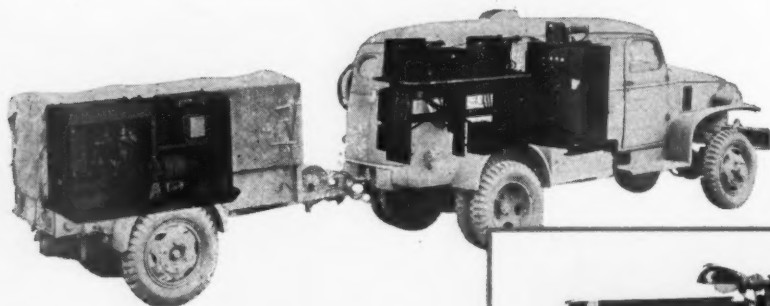
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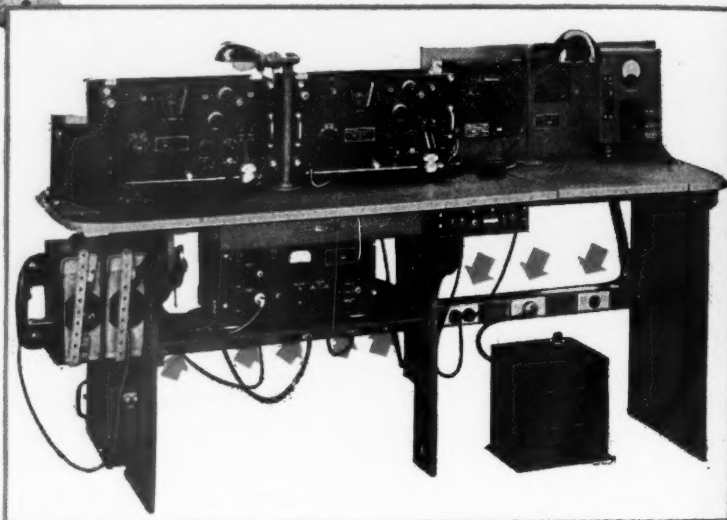
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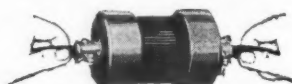
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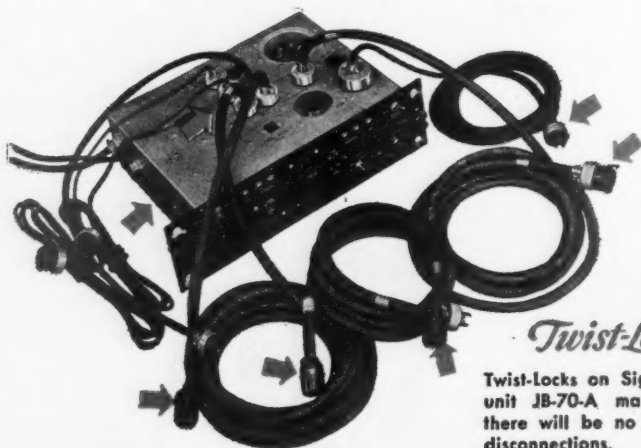
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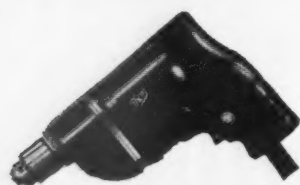
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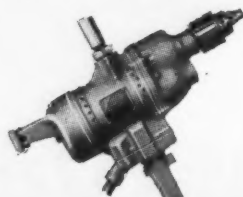
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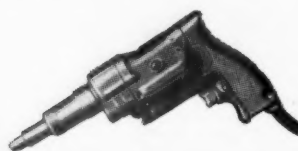
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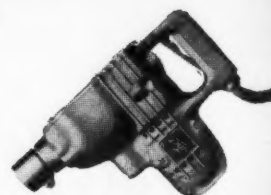
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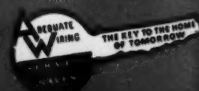
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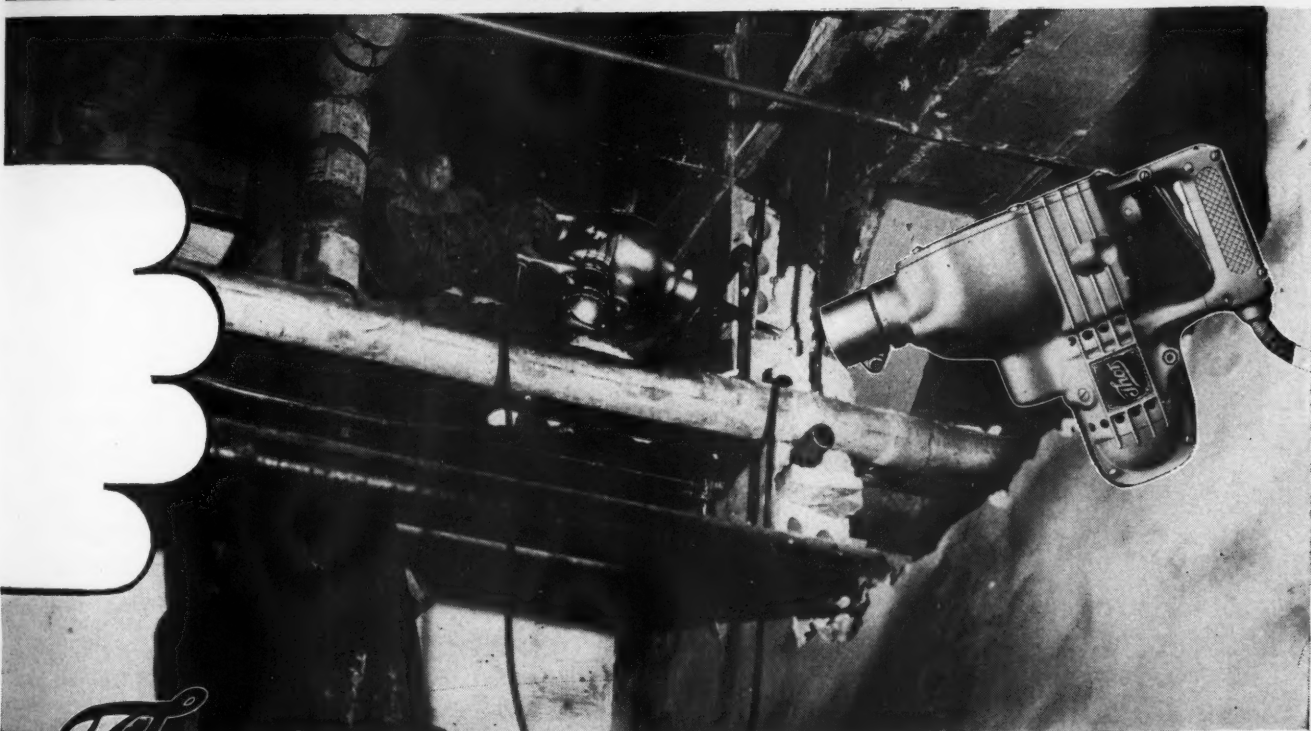
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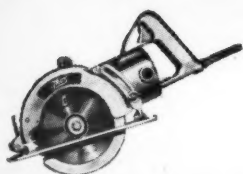






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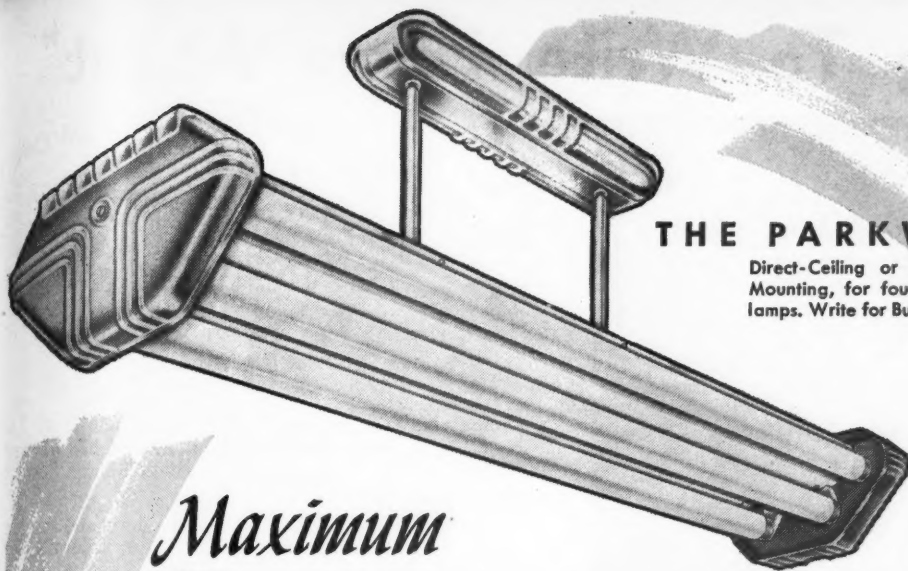
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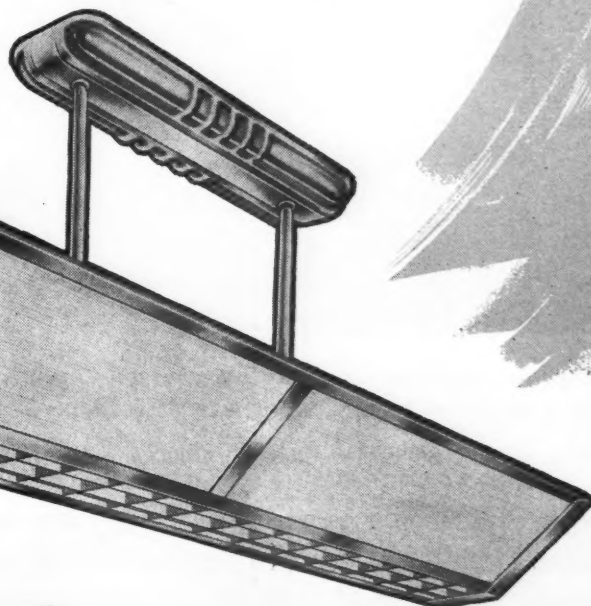
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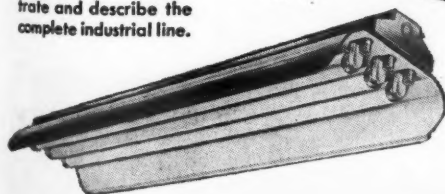
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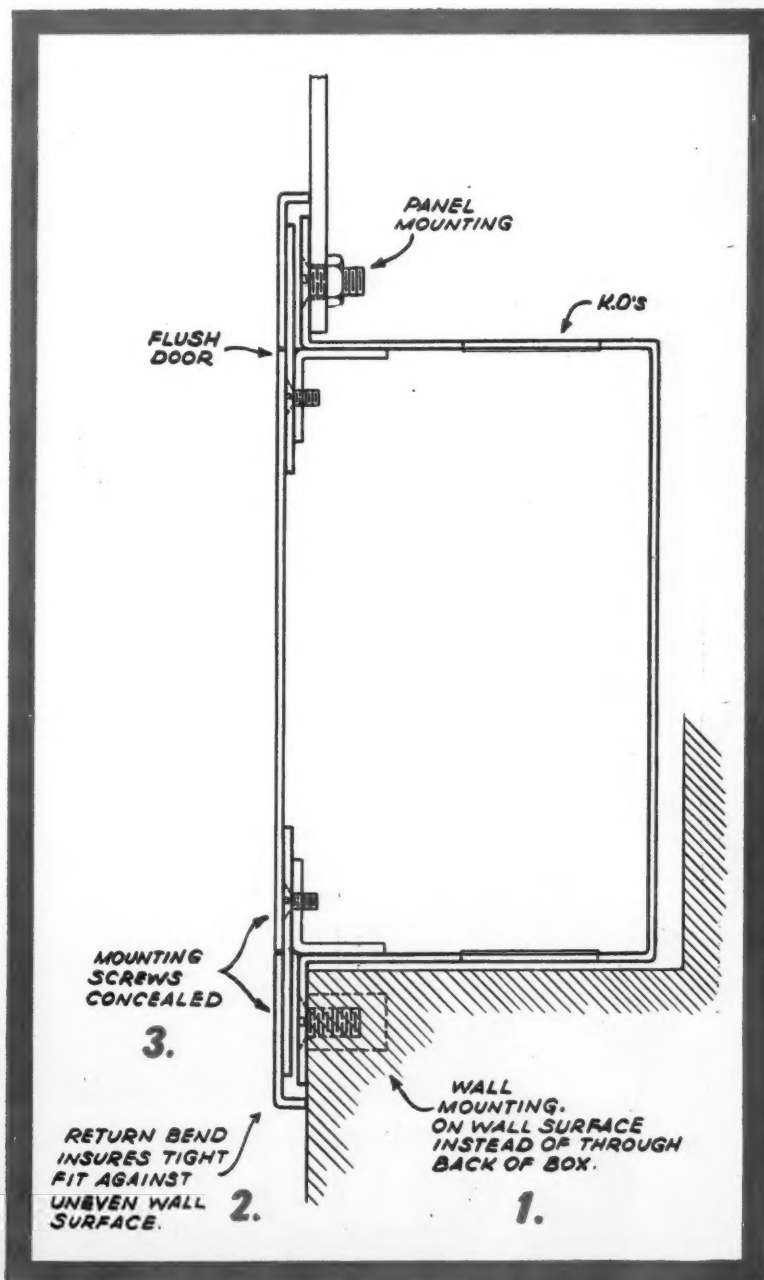
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Mr. Smith explains—"Several years ago costly shutdowns on our tube mill were occurring much too frequently due to fuses blowing. A salesman suggested that BUSS Super-Lag fuses might correct the trouble. After installing them we stopped having needless fuse blows. We credit the long time-lag of BUSS fuses with preventing these interruptions of our production as well as with greatly reducing our fuse maintenance costs."

**T**IME AFTER TIME in plant after plant, the use of BUSS Super-Lag fuses has reduced fuse maintenance, saved production time, saved money, and kept production up. You, too, can get the same result by using BUSS Super-Lag fuses. The experience of the River-ton Lime and Stone Company is one of a long list of successful installations that proves that fuse blowing on harmless overloads can be reduced by using BUSS Super-Lag Fuses.

BUSS fuses require no maintenance or periodic inspection. They don't open needlessly. If one opens, you can be sure some condition needs correction. When one opens, it requires less than 45 seconds to renew with an inexpensive link.

**Here is why BUSS fuses greatly reduce or entirely prevent needless blows**

The fuse case is designed to insure good contact on the link, even when the fuse is renewed by an inexperienced person—and it is so designed that vibration or heavy overloads or the constant heating and cooling of the fuse will not permit poor contact to de-

velop. Thus excessive heating which causes fuses to blow needlessly is prevented.

The fuse link used is the famous "BUSS Super-Lag." It has lag-plates attached to it. These give it a time-lag so long that it will reduce to an extent not possible with any other renewable fuse, the number of Shut-downs caused by needless fuse blows.

**How to solve the "shutdown problem"**

Pass the word along that all purchase records dealing with circuit protective devices should be immediately changed to call for BUSS Super-Lag Renewable fuses. Then, as fuses are replaced or new installations made, your plant will automatically get the benefit of the carefree, trouble-proof protection that BUSS Super-Lag fuses afford. BUSSMANN MANUFACTURING CO., University at Jefferson, St. Louis, Missouri. Division McGraw Electric Company.

**Why BUSS Fuses Don't Blow Needlessly**



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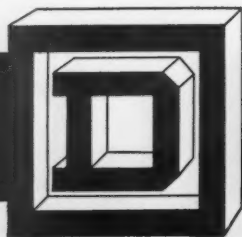
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● Increased production has brought the demand for more power distribution in scores of plants. There are countless fusible panels similar to the one shown at the left above—inadequate and subject to excessive heating.

Notice how easy it is to convert to a

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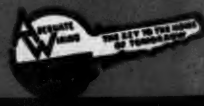
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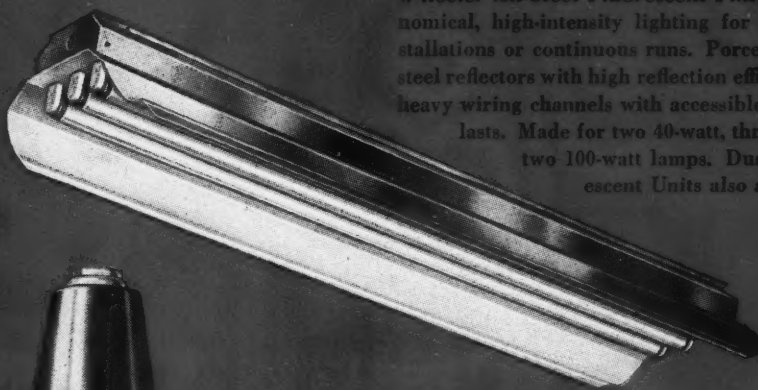
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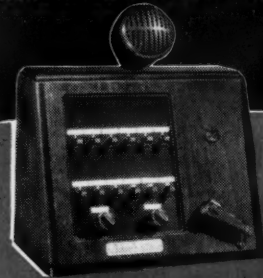
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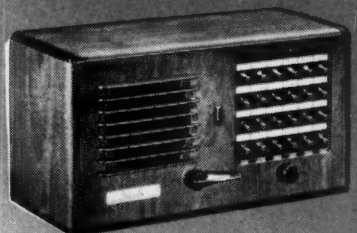
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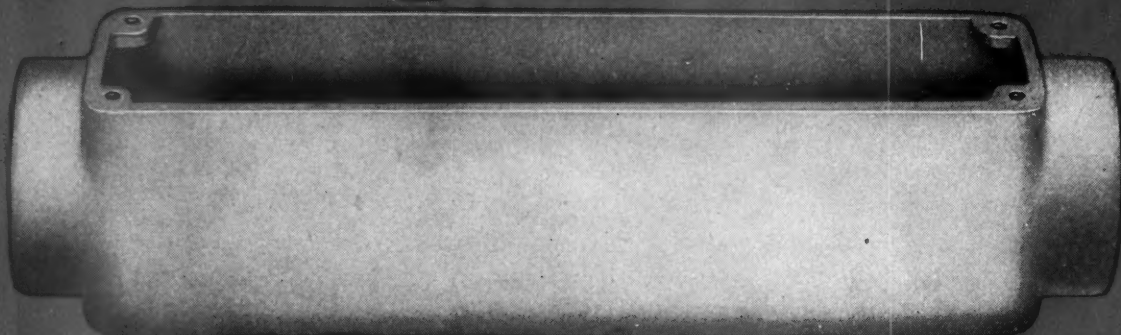
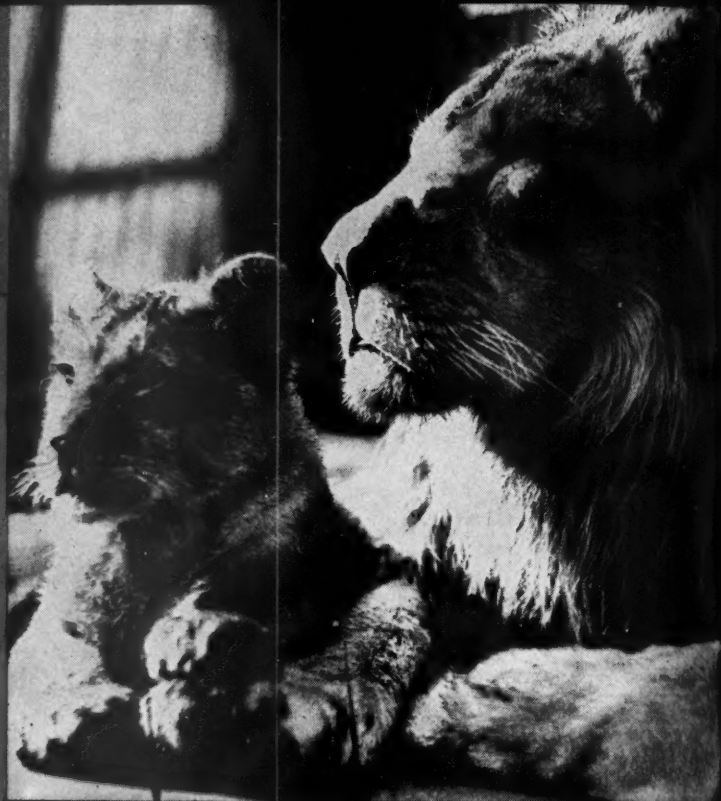
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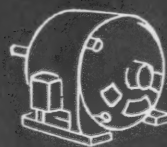




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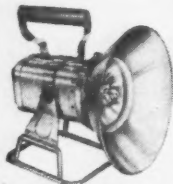
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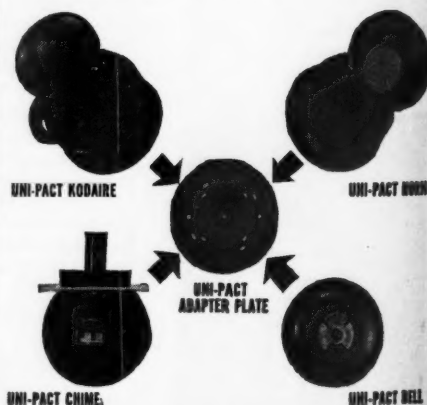
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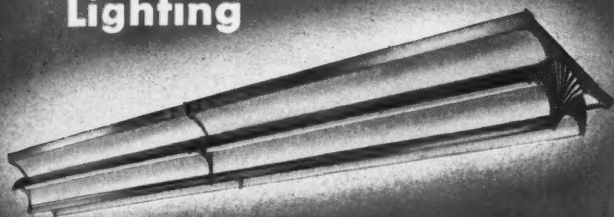




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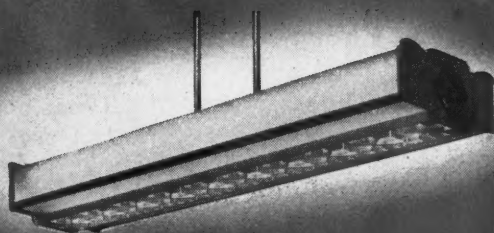
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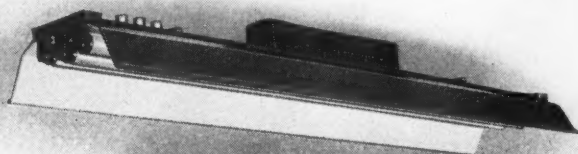
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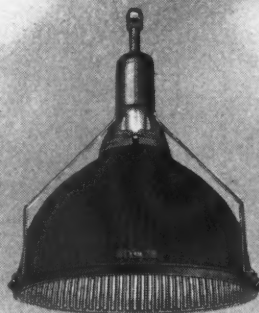
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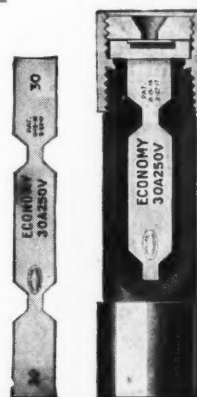


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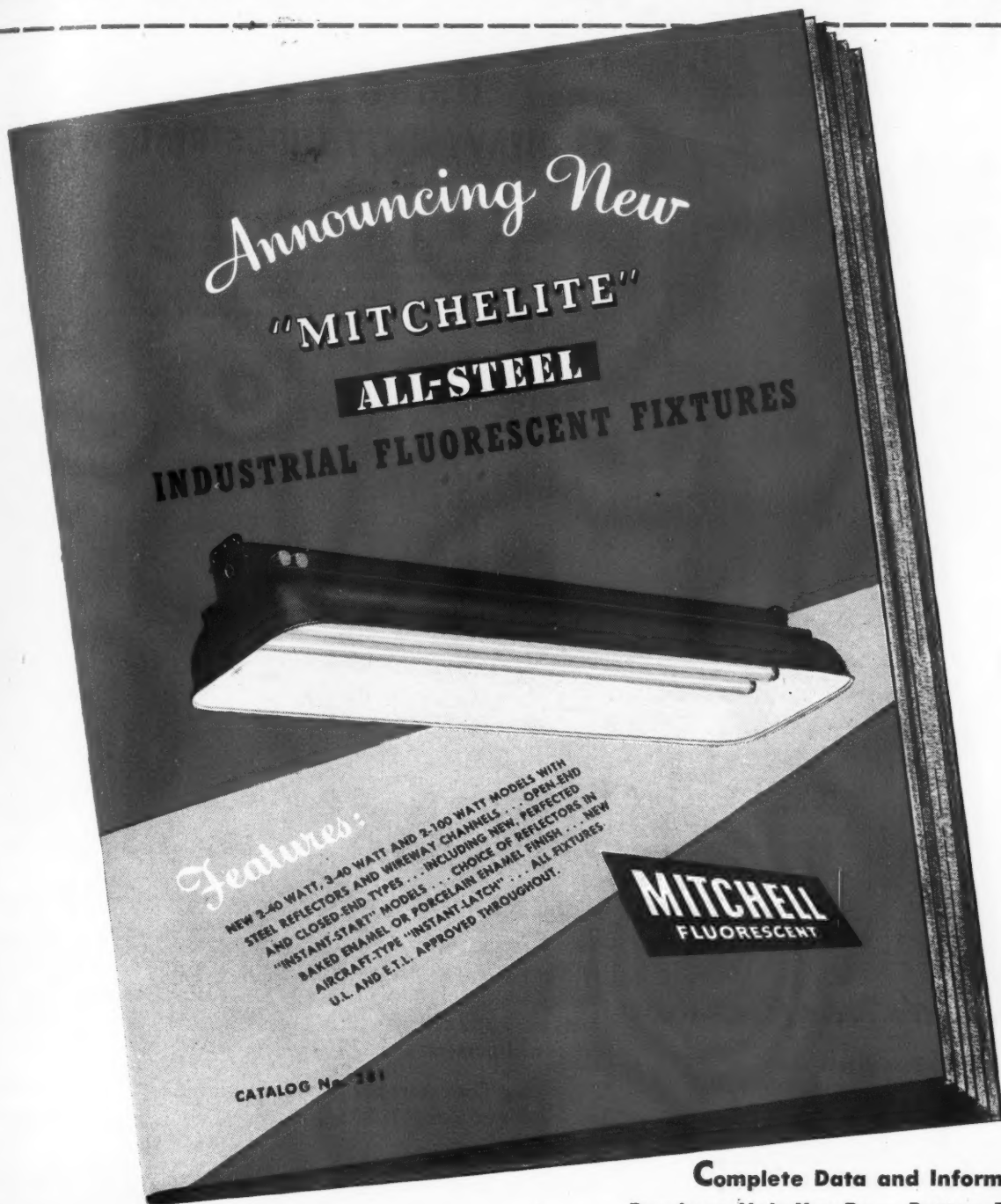
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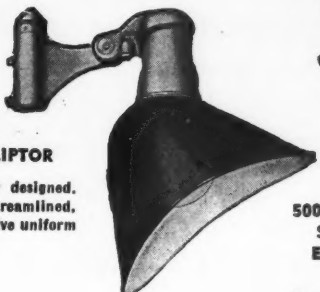
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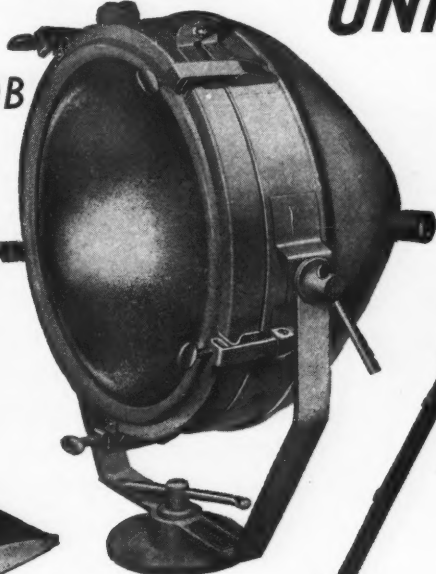
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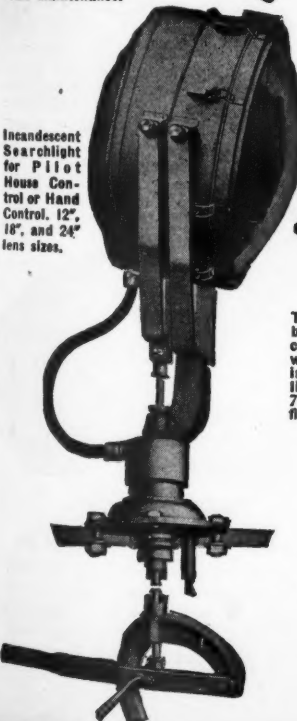
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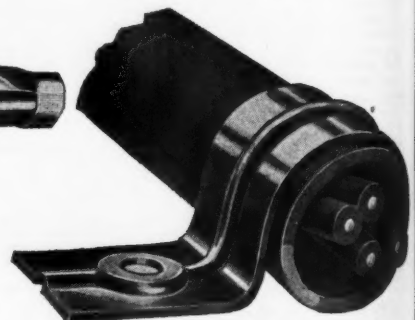
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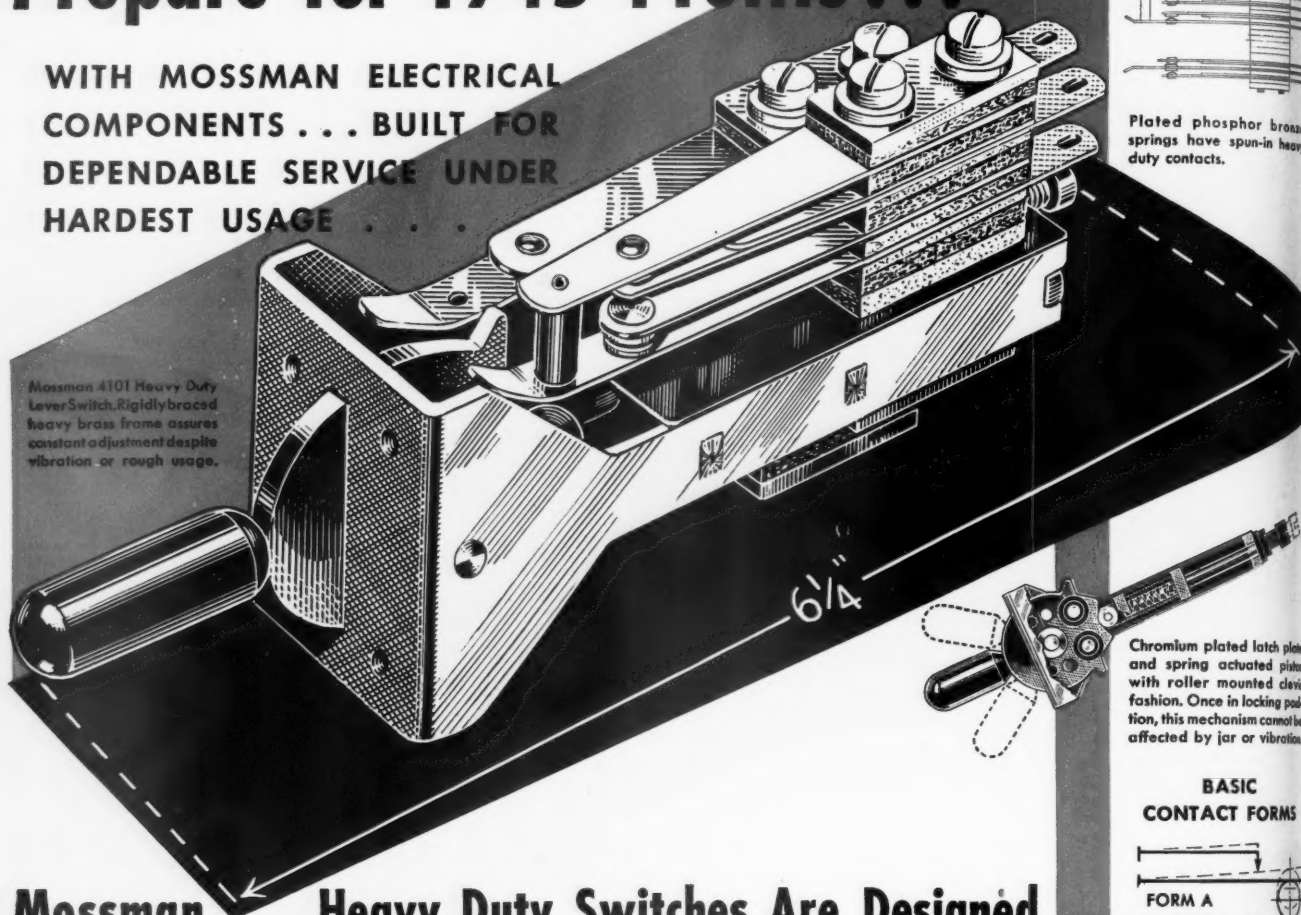
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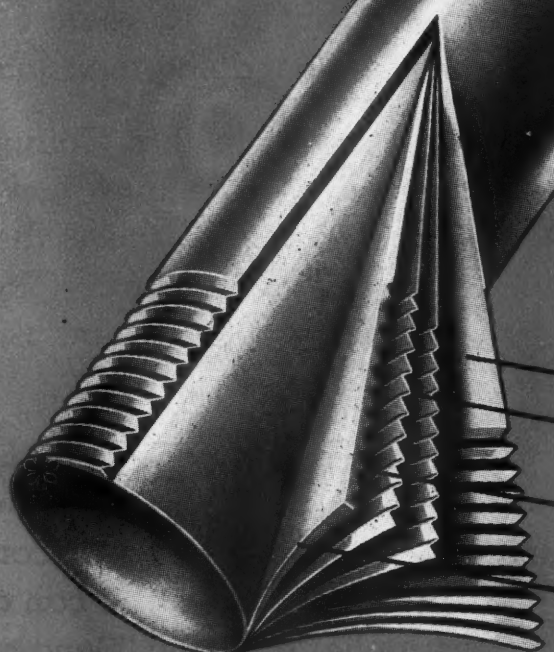
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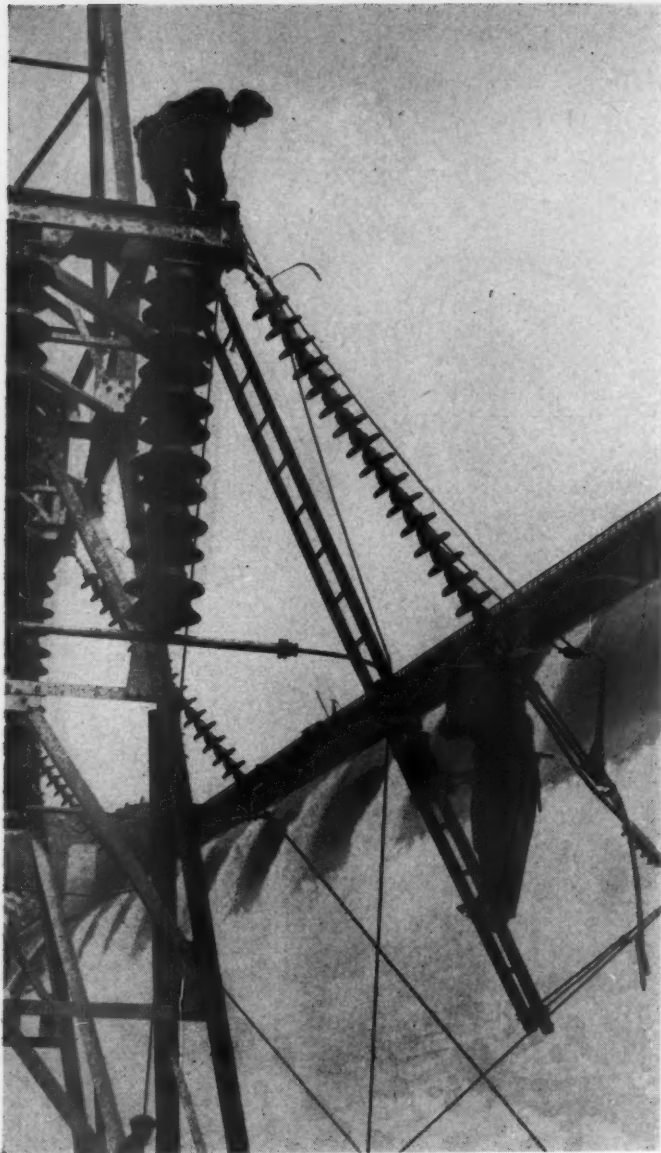
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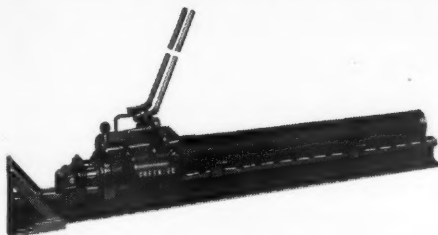
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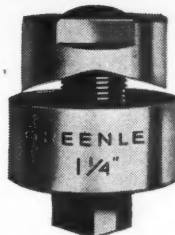
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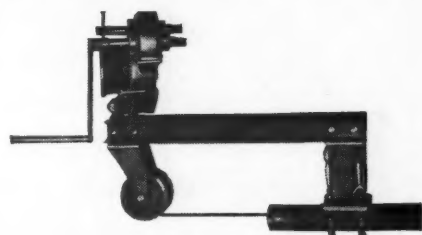
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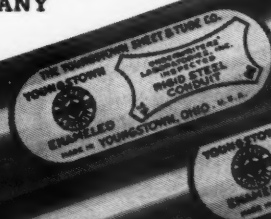
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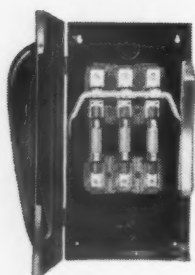


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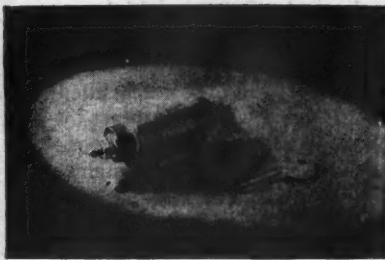


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## Power Circuit Transformers

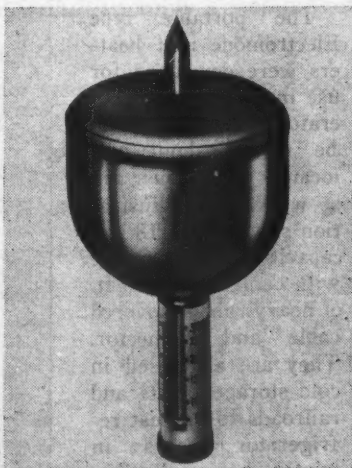
Power circuit transformers in capacities from 100 to 750 watts are now available with circuit breakers for overload and short-circuit protection. Transformers of these capacities are used mounted directly on machines to step down the 550, 440, or 220 volts to 110 volts for various electrical appliances and localized lights. Flexible cable or conduit may be run from wiring compartment to motor or appliance. Transformers can be furnished with on and off switch and receptacle in the wiring compartment. The circuit breaker is tamper-proof being completely housed in a transformer case with a reset button extending. For 25 to 75 watt transformers with their light loads, glass enclosed fuses are provided in place of circuit breakers. Jefferson Electric Company, Bellwood, Illinois.



JEFFERSON TRANSFORMER

## Instrument

This new Tachometer weighs  $5\frac{1}{2}$  oz. and is  $2\frac{1}{4}$ -in. diameter, which permits one hand manipulation. The recording in r.p.m. is read without the use of any timing or counting device. The readings are constant and record fluctuations which are impossible with tachometers now on the market. The scale is made up of black figures against an orange background. The range of this instrument runs from 500 to 3000 r.p.m. A pointed contact spindle is a part of the instrument for use with shafts that are centered and an elastic tip is furnished that will slip over the pointed spindle for use on shaft ends that are not centered. The tachometer is dust and moisture proof and has a baked enamel protective coating on all surfaces except the scale. The Standard Machinery Company, Providence, R. I.



STANDARD TACHOMETER

## Solderless Terminal

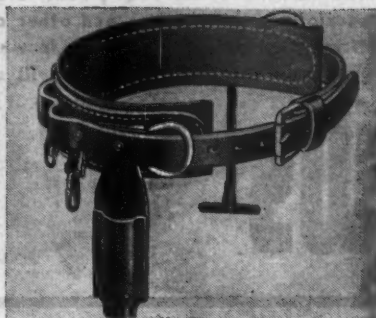
This solderless terminal has been developed for all small wire connections such as aircraft, radio, electronics, switchboards, automotives etc. Known as the "Uni-Crimp", it is fully interchangeable with other terminals of this type. It can be installed with hand crimping pliers, or standard types of indenting dies. Two indentations across the barrel of the terminal attach it permanently to the wire. Terminals are made from copper, are of one-piece construction, with insulation support wings. Three styles are available—No. UC-18-B for Nos. 18, 20 and 22 gage wire; No. UC-14-B, for Nos. 14, 16 and 18 gage wire; and No. UC-10-B, for Nos. 10 and 12 gage wire. H. B. Sherman Manufacturing Company, Battle Creek, Mich.



SHERMAN UNI-CRIMP

## Tool Belt

This new lineman's belt is made of a specially developed material called Klein-Kord. The material consists of multi-ply, specially woven long staple cotton laid in rubber and vulcanized. It is claimed to be waterproof, has a tensile strength many times that demanded in actual service, and possesses uniform quality, and flexibility. The cross cords are extra strength, which makes it possible to punch holes in the belt strap without danger of ripping under strain. This permits the use of a positive action, tongue-type buckle and does away with the necessity of using the dangerous friction-type buckle. The belt construction is a 2-inch wide body strap riveted to the 4-in. wide belt forming four tool loops. It has a 4½-in. canvas lining. "D" rings of solid steel drop forgings are mounted in steel safety clips which are riveted through the main belt. Mathias Klein & Sons, 4200 Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.



KLEIN-KORD

## Fluorescent Fixture

This newly designed fluorescent fixture is recommended for any commercial installation. The light from the four 40-watt tubes is shielded by evenly spaced egg-crate louvers, minimizing glare. Reflecting surfaces, finished in "Plastox" white are so arranged as to eliminate trapped light resulting in high intensity with low surface brightness. Plastic side panels shield end tubes and contribute to appearance. They are made for stem or flush mounting. For stem mounting, unit is equipped with a ceiling canopy. Louvers are hinged for easy and quick maintenance. The unit is designated Spero LVR-448, and is available with Spero Insta-Lite. The Spero Electric Corporation, 18220 Lanken Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.



SPERO FIXTURE

## Expansion Fitting

This new type expansion fitting is shorter and more compact than previous types. It requires fewer parts and is easy to install. The standard finish is cadmium plated,



O.Z. FITTING

but it can also be furnished in bronze. It was designed to compensate for expansion and contraction in a line of conduit. The head is sealed by a special packing to keep out water or moisture and is suitable for use on bridges, tunnels, dams or any construction where long lines of conduits must be installed. O. Z. Electrical Manufacturing Co., 252 Bond St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## Capacitor

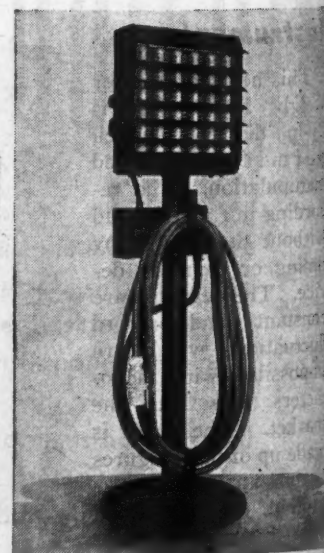
Several electrical and mechanical features highspot these oil-impregnated fluorescent ballast capacitors. They are dried, impregnated, filled and sealed without contact by human hands, to avoid all possibility of body acid contamination. A process of mechanical sealing eliminates high temperature oil leaks. All units are built for continuous service at 85 deg. C. and have less than two percent power factor at the high operating temperatures encountered in fluorescent ballasts. The Fluorescent Lighting Division of The Capacitron Company, 318 West Schiller Street, Chicago 10, Ill.



FLUORESCENT CAPACITOR

## Portable Electric Unit Heaters

The portable type Electromode unit heaters were developed for use in control and generator rooms. They can be moved about and located where men are at work. The illustration shown is an 18 kw. capacity heater complete with controls and 50 ft. of heavy rubber-covered cable and connector. They are also used in cold storage plants and railroads to preheat refrigerator cars in winter before loading canned goods to prevent freezing in transport. The heating elements used in these portable models are of the standard patented Electromode construction with sheathed resistor sealed in a one-piece finned aluminum casting with a motor-driven fan mounted directly behind the elements. Electric Air Heater Company, Mishawaka, Ind.



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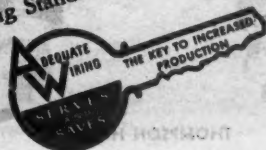
The Type R wires — two, three or four conductors, in sizes No. 14 AWG to No. 2 AWG — are twisted together, paper wrapped and efficiently protected by the interlocking flexible steel armor, which is zinc

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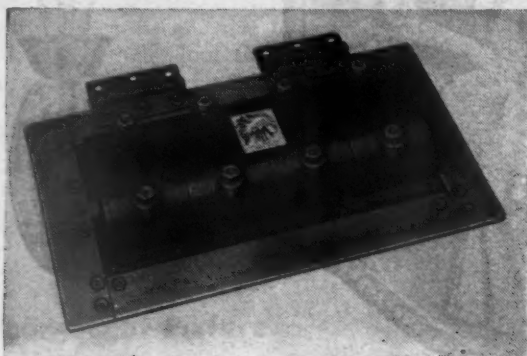


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ERIEZ SEPARATOR

## Circuit Breaker

A new and improved single pole circuit breaker for 240 volts a.c. and 125 volts d.c., 50 ampere maximum has been announced. It may be front connected or rear connected. This breaker has instantaneous trip or a selection of three time delays. Overall dimensions are 5½-in. long by 2½-in. high and 1½-in. wide. The Heinemann Circuit Breaker Company, 132 Plum Street, Trenton, N. J.



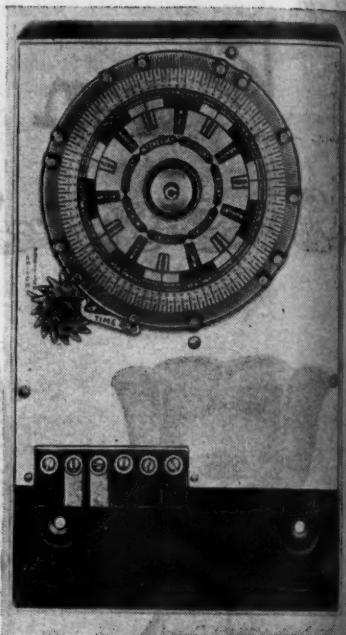
HEINEMANN CIRCUIT BREAKER

## Insulating Varnish

A new impregnating insulating varnish for all types of electrical windings known as Synthite PG-4-FC clear baking varnish, protects each layer of wire. Therefore, if the surface of the winding is damaged in rough handling, the fungicidal protection of the varnish is still retained. It is adaptable for use on the modern types of polyvinyl acetal coatings of magnet wire. It may also be used on glass insulation which is recommended for units having high temperature rises. It is also suitable for use on other types of Class "B" insulation as well as textile tapes. John C. Dolph Company, 168 Emmett Street, Newark 5, N. J.

## Time Switches

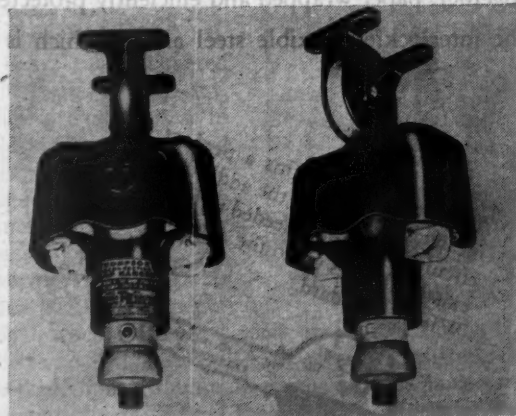
The Paragon 700 Series 7-day calendar, dial-time switch is for timing automatic heat, ventilating, lighting, pumping or flushing operations. These switches are equipped with 6-in. calendar dials which make one complete revolution every seven days. Dial trippers can be independently set for different daily On and Off schedules. Settings can be made in advance for an entire week. Any day or days operations may be omitted entirely on a pre-set program. Each day of week clearly separated from other days; graduated into hours and half hours; day and night distinctly separated. Operations from On to Off or from Off to On can be set as close as three hours apart and can be separately adjusted throughout each 24 hour day in the week. Paragon Electric Company, 710 Old Colony Building, Chicago 5, Ill.



PARAGON TIME SWITCH

## Disconnecting and Lowering Hangers

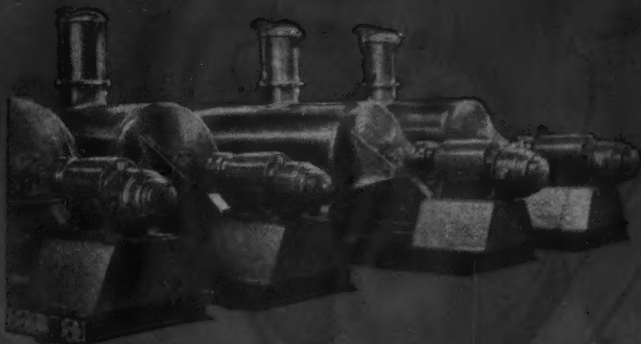
This line of disconnecting and lowering hangers has been improved and simplified. All standard general-purpose two-contact type hangers for single two-wire circuits are now supplied with an improved two-hole threaded porcelain bushing and conduit lock nut so that all of these hangers are suitable for either open or conduit wiring. For open wiring, the two-hole porcelain bushing provides an approved entrance method. Where wiring is to be in conduit, the porcelain bushing is removed and a ½ in. conduit is secured in place by means of the standard ½ in. lock nut used to secure the bushing in place. Hangers are for complete washing and relamping of indoor or outdoor high-positioned lighting equipment, at ground or floor levels, by one man, free from all climbing and electrical hazard, and without the use of ladders, scaffolds or platforms. The Thompson Electric Company, 1101 Power Avenue, Cleveland 14, Ohio.



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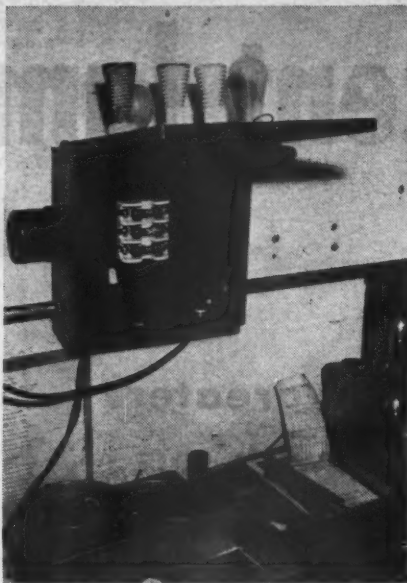
# MOTOR SHOPS

## BENCH TEST UNITS

Each work bench is equipped with a test unit, scale and prony brake to meet all test requirements in the motor repair shop of Walter J. Rider, Binghamton, N. Y.

Mounted on the wall at the end of the benches are 10- by 10- by 4-inch pull boxes, each supplied with 110/220 volts single phase. On the side of the box is a three-way switch to provide the tester with either voltage to suit his requirements. On the top of the box is a 220 volt indicator lamp which burns dimly on 110 volts and brightly on 220 volts. In the cover of the box is mounted four lamp sockets for use with either lamps or resistor units. In the bottom of the box is mounted another three-way switch to energize either of two sets of test leads. A fuse block is mounted within the box.

Thus each tester has at his convenience equipment to make ground, short-circuit, continuity and running tests at either 110 or 220 volts. He can obtain either voltage with either set of test leads. The one set, when energized by the three-way switch, will have in series with it the four lamp sockets mounted in the cover of the box. The other set of test leads are connected directly across-the-line (when energized by the switch) for a running test.



**PULL BOX** contains all the single phase requirements for running and series tests. Two 3-way switches provide either 110 or 220 volts to either a set of running test leads or a set of series test leads.

Each work bench is partitioned longitudinally, so that two men can work on either side of the same bench and still have ample working space as shown by the accompanying photo. A short overhead trolley carries a set of scales and prony brake with chain attachment so that both workers can use the same scales in making running

tests. The lever arm of the brake is calibrated and each worker is supplied with a loading chart so that motors of different ratings can be loaded to meet the testing specifications. A set of four testing pulleys is provided to easily fit the four common shaft sizes in single phase motors of horsepower rating  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 hp. at 1750 or 1150 rpm.

The brake is first tightened and adjusted by a hand screw until the scale indicates that full load is being applied. The motor is then stopped and started several times to make sure that the starter mechanisms are operating correctly. The load is then run up to 100 percent overload to insure sufficient pull-out torque. The prony brake is then removed and a dead spot check is made by hand.

Heavy equipment testing is done on a large board where originally all testing was carried on. However, the large board became a serious bottleneck and so Walter decided to provide single phase test equipment to each work bench.

## COILS SLIP OFF THE SMOOTH SIDE

George Larson, chief engineer of the R. A. Reed Electric Co., Los Angeles is the originator of a feature in connection with the fingers on his coil



**LOAD TESTS** are made with scales and prony brake. Lever arm is calibrated and chart (pasted on test unit cover) tells operator how many pounds and ounces must register on scales to apply full load. Brake is tightened, and thus load is increased, by a hand-tightening screw.



**DURING WINDING**, the dividers on the winding head fingers are turned outward as shown in the accompanying photograph.



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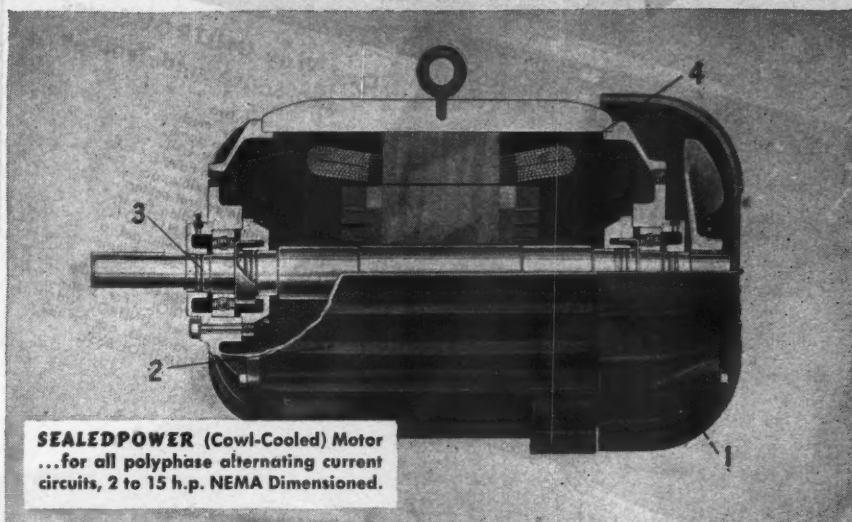
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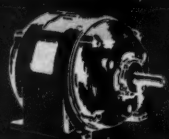
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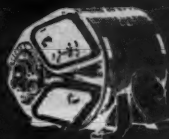
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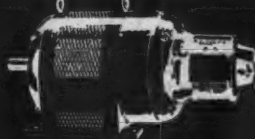
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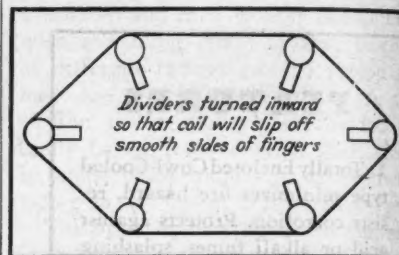


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winding machines that saves much time. The feature of this type of winding head is that the fingers seat on conical bearings at the inner end. As shown in the photograph, when in position for winding, the dividers on the fingers are turned outward to hold the coils.

Winding then proceeds, switching from one coil to the next without cut-



**BY TURNING** the fingers 180 degree on their conical bearings, the dividers point inward and coil can be slipped off.

ting the wire. When the winding of the group is completed, the fingers are loosened on the cones and turned 180 degrees, so that the dividers point inward and the coils can be slipped off the smooth sides of the fingers (see sketch).

## JIGS FOR SLOTTING COMMUTATOR BARS ON BAND SAW

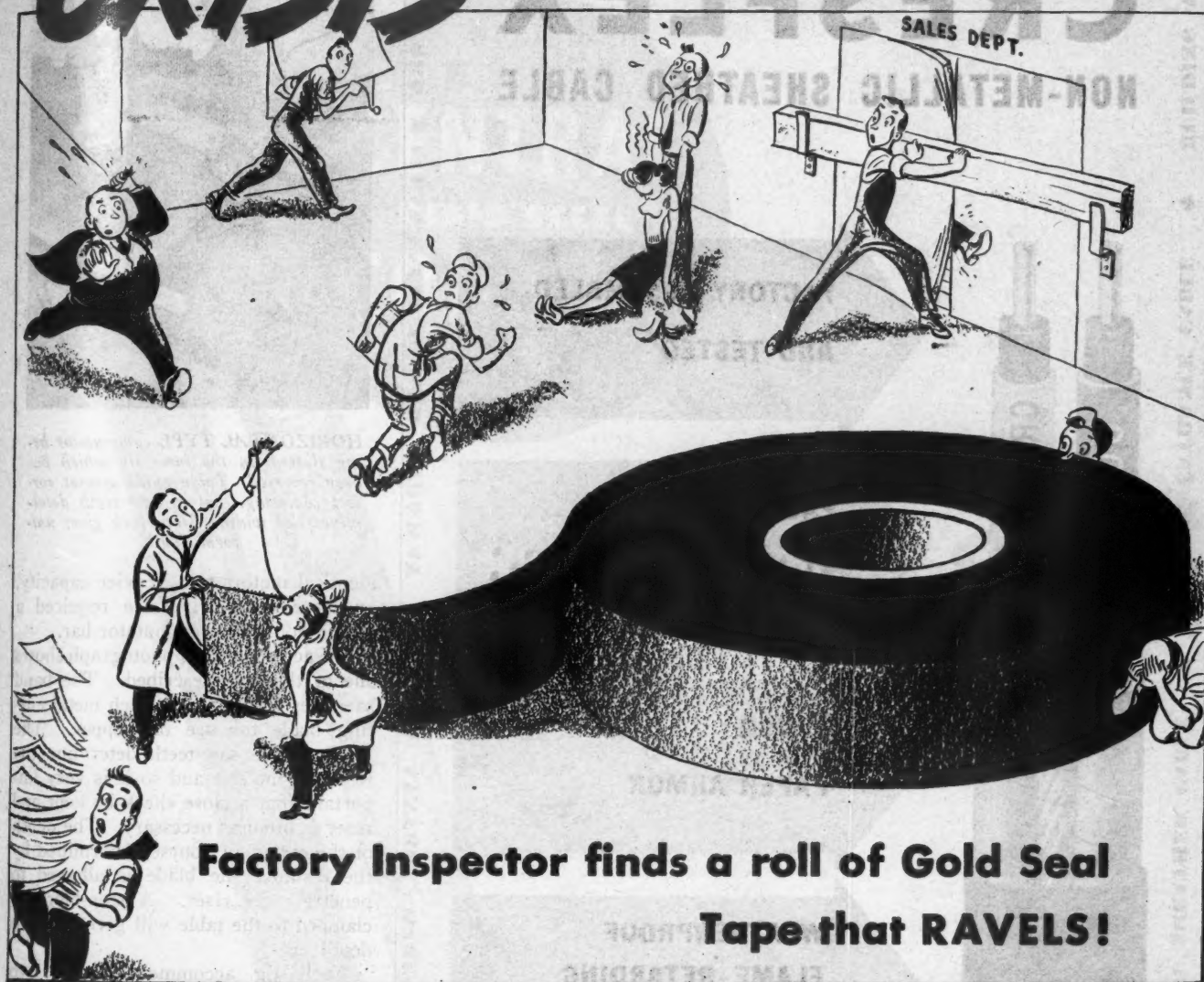
Slotting commutator risers on a band saw just wasn't being done and furthermore couldn't be done. At least that's what engineers told Walter J. Rider, owner of a Binghamton, N. Y. motor repair shop. So Walter immediately designed a jig that would do it. In rewinding a great number of



**JIG FOR SLOTTING** commutator bars on a band saw. Vertical commutator being set in place for slotting. Concentric bronze ring supports risers while being cut.



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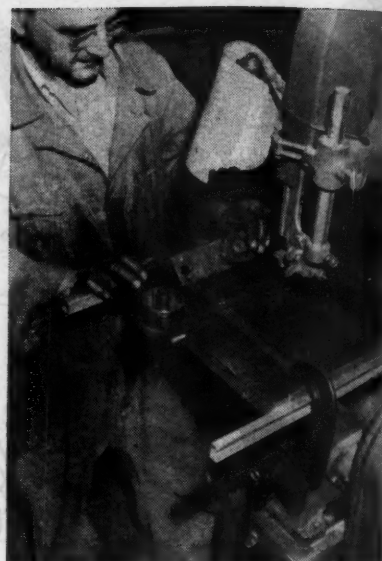


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*HORIZONTAL TYPE commutator being slotted on the same jig which has been reversed. Table guide assures correct centering. Set of saw teeth determines slot width. Stop-block gives uniform depth.*

identical motors to a heavier capacity, an increase in wire size required a larger slot in the commutator bar.

The accompanying photograph shows one of the jigs described. The band saw uses a special half-inch metal cutting blade for use on copper. The "set" of the saw-teeth determine the width of the slot and so it is very important that a close check be kept and reset as often as necessary. The depth of the cut is, of course, determined by the distance the blade is allowed to penetrate the riser. A stop-blocked-clamped to the table will give uniform depth.

Each jig accommodates the two types of commutators both having the same bore. In one position with the steel guide bar in place, the jig will cut a vertical riser type commutator. By turning the jig around it will cut an angle slot on the horizontal type of commutators (see photos).

The vertical jig consists of a center pin and a concentric bronze ring which is slotted. The center pin is of very slightly less diameter than the commutator bore. A good snug fit is required to get a clean cut slot. The bronze concentric ring is bolted to the jig base and is used to support the risers while being cut to avoid breakage. The ring is slotted only wide enough to escape cutting by the saw blade. The metal guide gives assurance that the ring will not be hit by the blade.

The horizontal jig consists only of a pin mounted on the correct angle to give an acceptable slot for soldering the commutator lead. The second photo shows the horizontal commutator in place ready for slotting.





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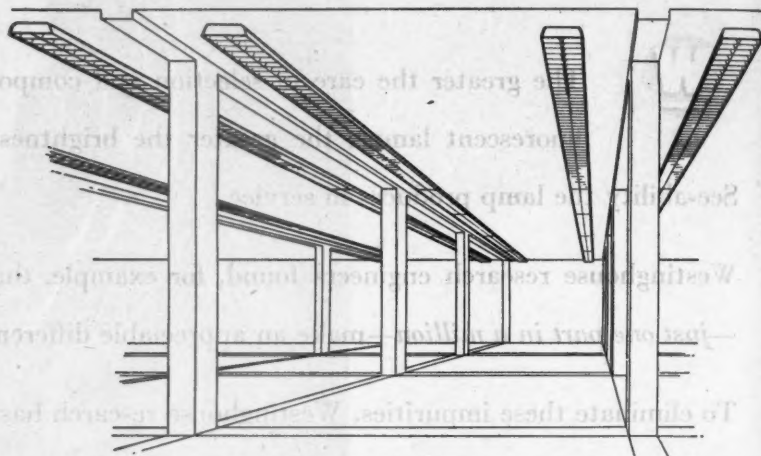
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## CASE STUDY IN DEPARTMENT STORE LIGHTING

The merchandising of goods and materials, clothing, jewelry, accessories and the like becomes much easier when high quality illumination is used to bring out color and texture to the point of selling itself. Department store executives are fast becoming aware that nothing but the best in lighting is necessary to sell customers and keep them sold. A tremendous amount of store modernization is already in the blue-print stage awaiting the war's end and availability of materials. In the vast majority of cases, new lighting constitutes the most important item in the rehabilitation appropriations.

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**PERSPECTIVE** showing *louvered units.*

the plans illustrated here. Incandescent spots mounted on columns or ceilings have undergone quite a bit of discussion but are not as yet specified. However, before alterations take place, if spots seem advisable to highlight

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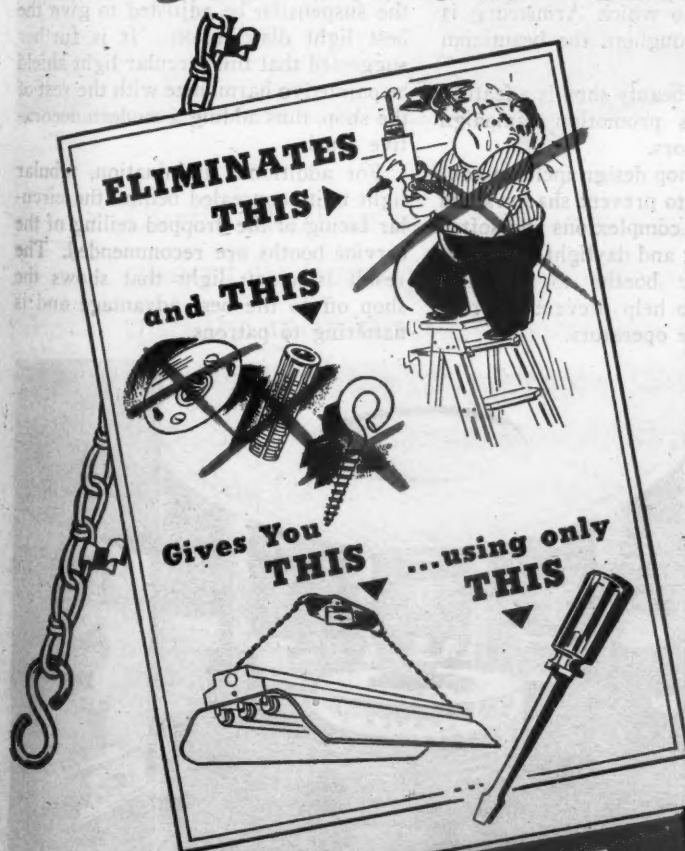


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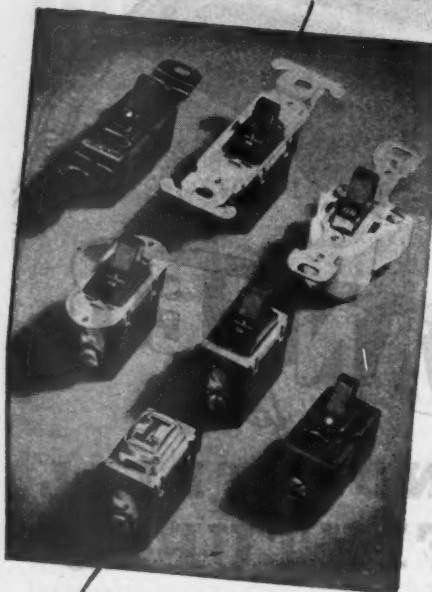
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The proposed design specifies two 40-watt hot cathode fluorescent 3500 degree white tubes, per four foot fix-

ture. However, serious consideration is still being given a single 100-watt lamp unit to reduce maintenance. This would require the handling of one tube as against two.

Reflector units will be equipped with egg-crate louvers to shield eye contact with the light source. Plastic reflector sides will permit light ray transmission to the ceiling in the immediate vicinity of the fixture.

Ceilings will be finished in a smooth plaster and painted with a white paint of good reflection quality. Walls and columns will likewise be finished smooth and painted in a light neutral tint also with a good reflection factor. Light marble floors and light colored natural-wood cabinets and counters will complete the interior decoration.

### BEAUTY SHOP LIGHTING DESIGN

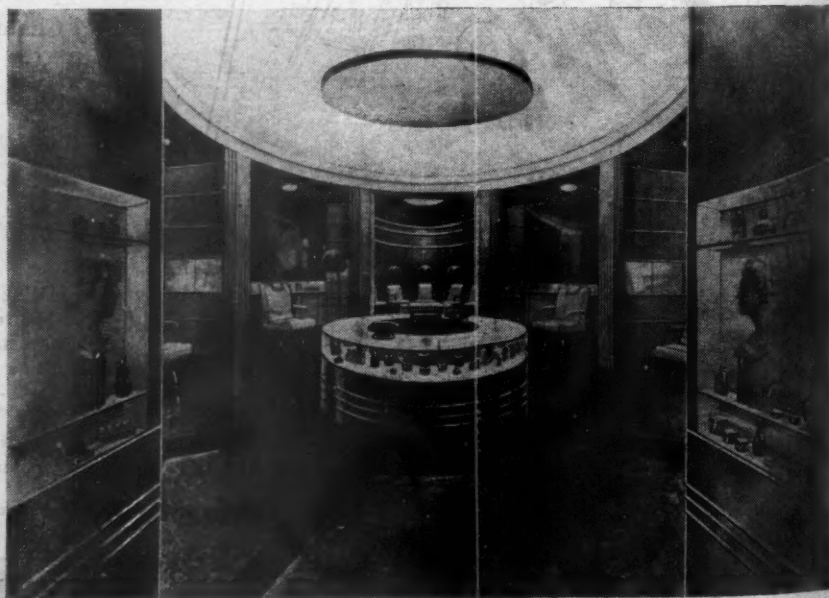
The subject of illumination is strongly emphasized in the model designs for beauty shops which the Armstrong Cork Company is offering to the beauty shop industry. Outstanding features are discussed in detail in an "ideas" portfolio which Armstrong is distributing throughout the beautician industry.

The "model" beauty shop is a feature in Armstrong's promotion campaign for business floors.

The beauty shop design includes concealed lighting to prevent shadows and glare, to flatter complexions and soften facial contours; and daylight spotlights in the service booths to eliminate shadows and to help prevent coloring mistakes by the operators.

No expert on beauty needs to be told that indirect lighting is more flattering than direct lighting. As a simple way to obtain shadow-free, indirect illumination at low cost, it is suggested in the portfolio that a circular piece of light weight wall board be suspended under a large circular light in the center of the establishment, and that the suspension be adjusted to give the best light distribution. It is further suggested that this circular light shield be painted to harmonize with the rest of the shop, thus adding a modern decorative touch.

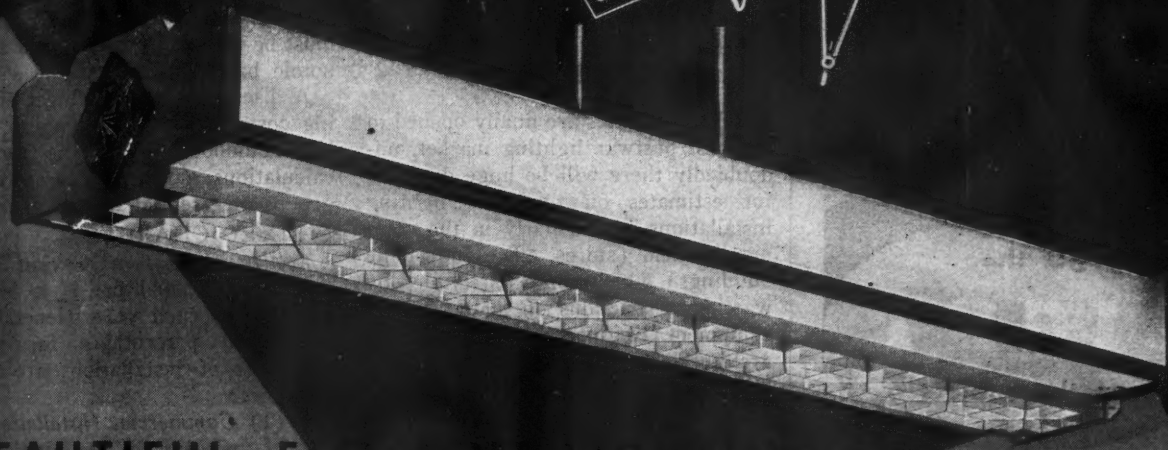
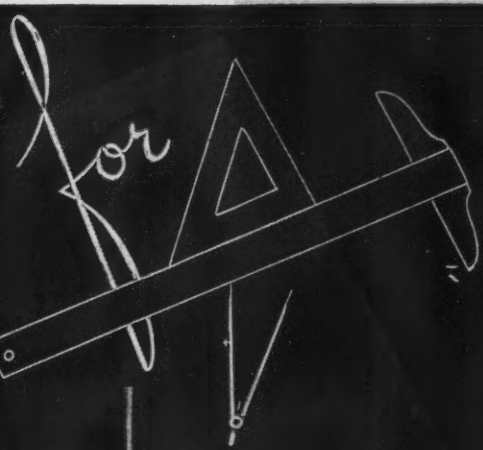
For additional illumination, tubular light units concealed behind the circular facing of the dropped ceiling of the service booths are recommended. The result is a soft light that shows the shop off to the best advantage and is flattering to patrons.



**CONCEALED LIGHTING** eliminates shadows and glare, flatters complexion, and softens facial contours in this model beauty shop design. Daylight spotlights are used in the service booths to eliminate shadows and help prevent coloring mistakes by the operators; tubular light units are concealed behind the circular facing of the dropped ceiling of the service booths.



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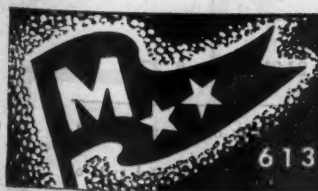
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Daylight spotlights, flush with the ceiling in every service booth, are suggested also because they cast a true white light that eliminates shadows . . . a welcome aid to beauty operators in obtaining precise tints, hair shades, and complexion colorings.

The portfolio also recommends that beauty shop remodeling plans include provisions for installing simplified air-conditioning and deodorizing systems when this equipment is again available.

## COST ANALYSES FOR LIGHTING SYSTEMS

When the gates are finally opened to the vast postwar lighting market, undoubtedly there will be huge demands for estimates on revamped lighting installations—particularly in the commercial field (stores, office and public buildings) which has been stymied by wartime restrictions on materials and equipment. Engineers, contractors and architects are going to be called in to recommend a lighting system—and cost is going to enter very definitely into the picture.

With the various light sources and systems now available, and with de-

velopments that are bound to come in this field, the customer is going to be slightly befuddled. Just what type of lighting should he buy—which will do the best job—how much will each type cost? He will want to know the answers to those questions before he makes his decision and buys an installation. And it is you—the engineer, contractor or architect—who is going to have to be prepared to give him the right answers. Satisfactory solutions to the specific lighting problem must be forthcoming—then these solutions must be properly evaluated on an economic basis.

A discussion of the subject of lighting costs in the Westinghouse Lighting Handbook breaks the necessary calculations down into two specific groups of essential factors. They are:

### I. FIXED CHARGES—

a. *Wiring Cost*—a portion of the initial expenditure is to be written off each year. Generally accepted percentages for various types of installations are as follows:

(1) *Commercial Installations*—15 percent of the initial investment.

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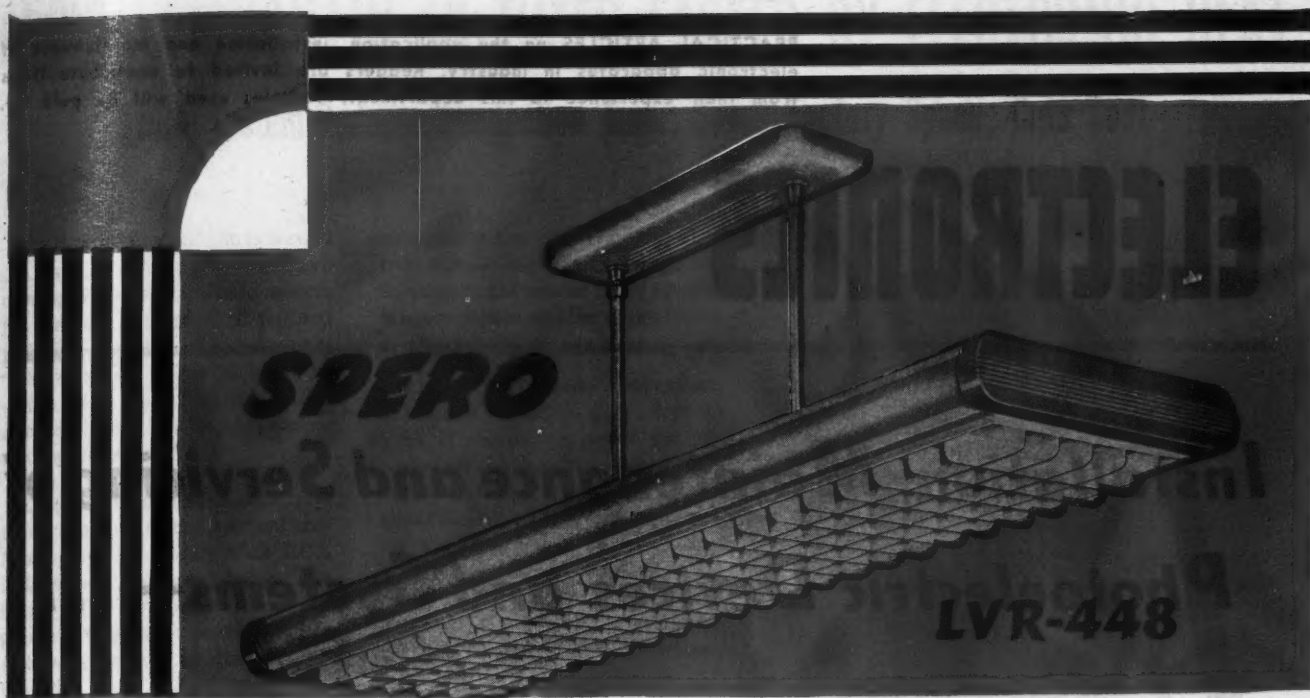
## COMPARATIVE COST ANALYSIS OF FLUORESCENT AND INCANDESCENT LIGHTING INSTALLATION

Specifications	Fluorescent	Incandescent
<b>MACHINE SHOP</b>		
a. Type of fixture	RLM	RLM
b. Number of fixtures	146	64
c. Fixture Wattage	100 (incl. Aux.)	500
d. Maintained ft.c.	40	40
e. Annual Operating hours*	5000	5000
<b>FIXED CHARGES</b>		
1. Cost of fixtures*	\$ 2700	\$ 255
2. Wiring cost	730	320
3. Complete installation cost (1, 2)	3430	575
A. Fixed annual charge on investment in equipment, (interest, taxes, insurance, amortization, 17%)	\$ 584	\$ 98
<b>OPERATING CHARGES</b>		
1. Lamp Cost		
a. Total number of lamps	292	64
b. Lamp Life (hours)	2500	1000
c. No. of lamp renewals a x operating hours lamp life	585	320
d. Lamp cost (list less discount of 30%)	\$ .67	\$ .84
B. Total annual lamp cost (c x d)	\$ 392	\$ 269
2. Energy cost		
a. Total watts	14,600	32,000
b. Annual Kwh.	73,000	160,000
C. Total annual energy cost at 1 1/2¢ per Kwh.*	\$ 1095	\$ 2400
D. Maintenance Cost**	90	25
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COST (Sum of A, B, C and D)</b>	<b>\$ 2161</b>	<b>\$ 2792</b>

\*Note: Items marked with an asterisk (\*) have an important bearing on the final result. Determine these factors carefully!

\*\* This cost is mainly wages for labor and will vary widely with the locality and type of lighting installation. It should always be included in cost comparisons when known.





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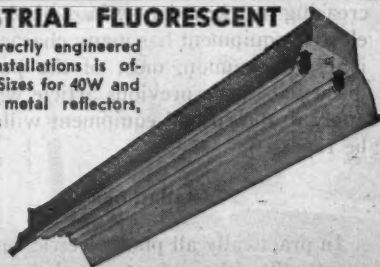
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# ELECTRONICS

## Installation, Maintenance and Servicing of Photoelectric Devices and Systems—III

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**I**N addition to the familiar relays discussed in a previous article, there is a wide variety of photoelectric devices and systems designed to perform special functions. The electronic units used in these applications range from simple devices performing some special signaling, controlling, or measuring function to quite complicated equipment which is an integral part of some electrical-mechanical system. The photoelectric pyrometer, outdoor light control, cutoff register control, side register control, pin-hole detector, smoke detector, flame detector, contour follower, and web straightener are typical examples.

Because there are few moving parts in electronic equipment, the problem of maintenance is never very trying. When properly installed and maintained, this equipment will give years of satisfactory service, and compared with other electrical equipment, greater precision and sensitivity is usually obtained with the electronic devices, without lessening reliability or increasing maintenance. Since all photoelectric equipment has many characteristics in common, most of the points discussed in the previous article which apply to the special equipment will not be repeated.

### Installation

In practically all photoelectric equipment other than the general purpose relay, the phototube is located separate from the master control panel. The phototube may be mounted in a holder either alone or with an auxiliary amplifier, or both the holder and a light source may be mounted together on a

common support, in which case the unit is called a scanning head.

•Phototube holders and scanning heads should be mounted rigidly with the lens or phototube facing downward whenever possible. Mounting in this position not only minimizes the collection of dust on the glass surfaces, but also reduces the effect of extraneous light. The unit should be suitably protected if, because of its location, it

is likely to be damaged or thrown out of adjustment by mobile shop equipment (see Fig. 2):

All cable to the phototube must be shielded, with the shield connected to the phototube holder and to the correct point on the control panel. The cable should not be located where it is exposed to water or excessive moisture.

Where a definite length of cable is included with a phototube holder or a scanning head, no appreciable extension should be made unless the instructions with the equipment specify that an extension is permissible.

The installation and conditions of operation for photoelectric relays des-

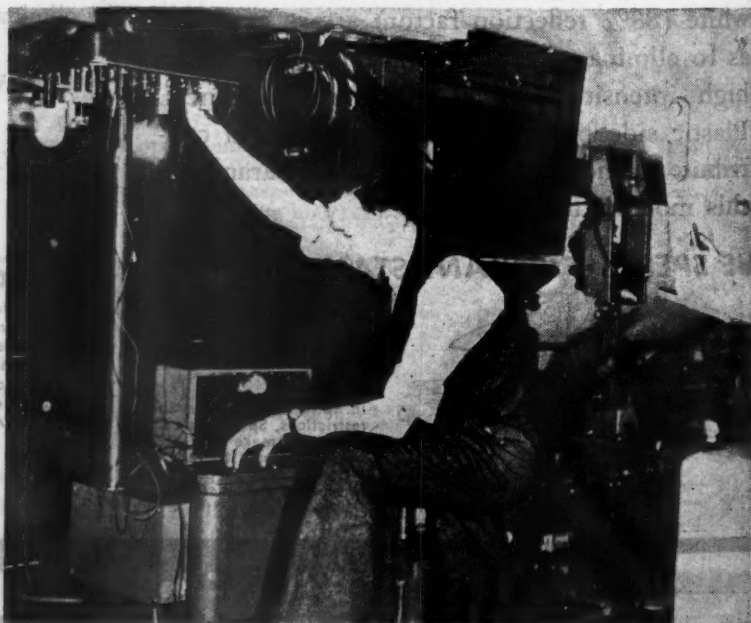


FIG. 1—Checking the operation of a photoelectric multi-color register control by means of a cathode ray oscilloscope—a very useful instrument for adjusting and servicing electronic equipment.



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cribed in the previous article also apply in most cases to the control panel, light sources, and auxiliary units of the special equipment. These devices should be installed so that they are easily accessible for changing lamps and tubes, adjustment of the optical system, and general servicing.

#### Scheduled Maintenance

All parts of the optical system which transmit or reflect light must be kept clean (see Fig. 4). This includes all glass or plastic surfaces such as lenses, prisms, mirrors, etc. The frequency with which these parts have to be cleaned obviously depends upon the atmospheric conditions in which the equipment operates, and the extent to which the particular photoelectric system will permit a reduction of light before it fails to operate.

The adjustment of the equipment should be checked occasionally. This will help maintain operation at maximum efficiency and forestall any failure due to a gradual change of light or tube characteristics.

If contactors or relays are used in conjunction with the electronic equipment they should be inspected frequently, and suitable repairs, adjustments, or replacements made whenever necessary. Quite often these magnetic devices are subjected to very heavy use when used with electronic systems,

with the result that millions of operations may be put on them in a short time.

The light source lamp will have to be replaced about every 1000 to 3000 hours. Rather than wait until a lamp burns out and causes a shutdown of the equipment, it is usually preferable to follow a definite replacement schedule corresponding to the life expectancy of the lamp.

In order to maintain continuous service, a definite schedule should be followed in the testing of tubes. The radio receiving-type tubes can be checked in the conventional tube tester used by radio dealers. A routine check about every three to six months, and the discarding of any tubes which read "low", should reduce the trouble caused by tube failure to a minimum. Occasionally, a tube may be found which fails to work in the photoelectric unit yet indicates "good" on the tester. This is because the ordinary radio-tube tester does not check all the characteristics used by the electronic circuit. Power output type tubes such as the 25L6, 6L6, 6V6, 117N7GT, and the 117P7GT may exhibit this effect.

Gas-filled tubes can be tested with the industrial tube checker recently made available. This device was described in a recent article of this series.

At the present time, there is no conventional means for readily testing phototubes. However, when used in

proper circuits and not abused by excessive light or high temperature, these tubes have a life expectancy of more than a year and quite commonly last two or three years.

It is recommended that at least one complete set of spare tubes and several lamps should always be kept on hand.

#### Servicing

In order to service photoelectric equipment efficiently, the service man should be familiar with the entire installation and have at least a general knowledge of how the electronic control operates. He should also be acquainted with the procedure to follow in locating trouble, and be able to analyze quickly the unusual problems which occasionally occur.

Before attempting to work on the electronic circuit, a careful analysis should be made of all other possible causes for the failure. The accompanying service schedule lists a number of the common faults which should be initially investigated. In installations where the electronic and mechanical systems are closely associated, a careful investigation should be made of the latter before the trouble is definitely attributed to the electronic equipment. Frequently the electronic equipment is blamed for trouble which is later found at some other location in the system.



FIG. 2 Photoelectric scanning heads exposed to damage from mobile shop equipment should be suitably protected, as shown.

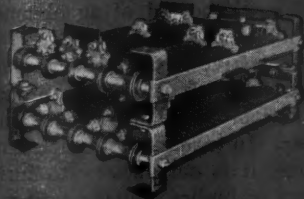


FIG. 3 Measuring a voltage on a cutoff register control by means of a vacuum tube voltmeter—a useful instrument for servicing.

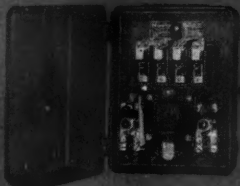




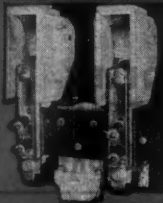
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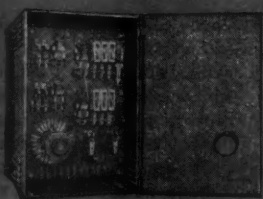
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After all sources of trouble external to the electronic circuit have been thoroughly investigated, then trouble-shooting on the circuit should begin. A visual inspection should be made first in order to locate any broken leads or defective parts, such as overheated resistors, transformers, or capacitors. Defective resistors can often be detected by their severe discoloration, transformers by the presence of impregnating compound coming out of the windings, and capacitors by the presence of wax or liquid on the outside of the container. When a defective circuit element is discovered in this manner, a further analysis should be made to determine if this failure was caused by the failure of another part of the circuit. For instance, a short-circuited capacitor or potentiometer could cause overheating and probably damage to a resistor or transformer with which it is associated. Each circuit failure presents a different problem and therefore must be analyzed separately.

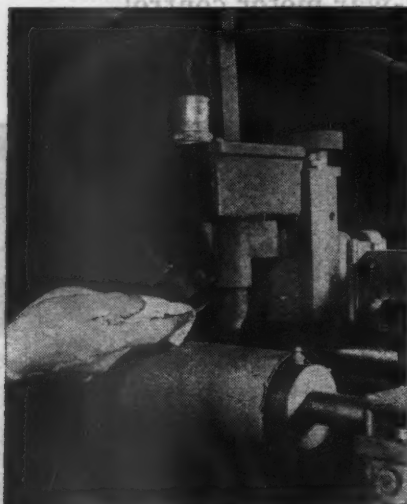
If a visual inspection does not provide a solution to the trouble, then the

(see Fig. 3). The type of voltmeter used depends entirely upon the value of resistance across which the measurement is to be taken. To provide accurate readings the voltmeter resistance should be at least 10, and preferably 20 times the resistance of the resistor across which the instrument is placed. For example, to measure the voltage across a 100,000-ohm resistor, the total resistance of the voltmeter should be at least 1 million ohms.

If the person servicing the equipment is acquainted with the operation of the electronic circuit, a cathode ray oscilloscope is one of the best instruments to use for quickly locating trouble (see Fig. 1). As explained in a preceding article on the cathode ray oscilloscope, it was pointed out that its greatest value to the trouble-shooter lies in the fact that it enables him to actually see the instantaneous behaviors and relationships of the various voltages throughout the many circuits and circuit elements. Photoelectric systems usually consist of a master control panel into which are fed the signals from auxiliary equipment such as a scanning head and rotary selector

switch. The oscilloscope will provide a visual indication of whether the proper signals are being obtained from these auxiliary units. Then in the master panel the signals can be traced through the various parts of the circuit to the point where the control of the motor, solenoid, or other mechanical device takes place. When the trouble has been traced to a definite portion of the circuit, the defective part can be located with the aid of an ohmmeter and voltmeter.

The defective circuit element should be replaced with one of equal rating and preferably made by the same manufacturer. In case a substitution has to be made, it is satisfactory to furnish resistors of higher wattage rating and capacitors of higher voltage rating, but their respective resistance and capacity values must be the same as the one being replaced. If the proper value of resistance or capacity is not available, the correct value may be obtained by connecting several units in series or parallel. When replacement electrolytic capacitors are wired into the circuit, the polarity must be observed.



**FIG. 4** Lenses and other glass and plastic parts of photoelectric scanning heads should be regularly wiped off with a clean, soft cloth in order to assure efficient operation.

next step is to measure the circuit voltages and compare them with those listed in the instructions for the equipment. The d-c output voltage of the rectifier used in most circuits should be measured first. Then measurements should be made of the voltages at the various points on the voltage divider and all other places in the circuit where the potentials are known.

For measuring these voltages, a high-resistance voltmeter having a resistance of at least 5000 to 20,000 ohms per volt should always be used. In some cases, it is necessary to use a vacuum tube voltmeter having an internal resistance of 10 to 15 megohms

## SERVICE CHART FOR PHOTOELECTRIC DEVICES AND SYSTEMS

**General:—Applies to all types of control**

TROUBLE	CAUSE	REMEDY
A. Photoelectric system is completely inoperative. (initial installation).	1. Incorrect wiring.	1. Check all connections and correct any errors.
	2. Incorrect adjustment.	2. Adjust equipment in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
	3. Line voltage is not within specified limits.	3. Provide proper line voltage to the equipment. If voltage varies over wide limits, use a constant voltage transformer. If voltage is consistently high or low, an auto-transformer can be used to correct voltage.
	4. Fuses blown.	4. Be sure to check all connections before replacing fuses. Do not use fuses larger than necessary to protect the equipment.
	5. Damaged relays or contactors. Contact tips may have been burned or welded due to improper connections. Relay or contactor may have been damaged during transportation or installation.	5. Repair or replace relay or contactor.
	6. Lamp in light source not lighted.	6. (a) Replace lamp if burned out (b) Investigate the connections to the light source and its transformer, and repair if necessary.

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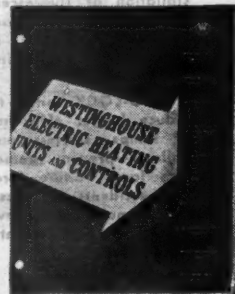
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	8. Light source not properly focused and aligned with respect to the phototube unit.	8. Make necessary adjustments.
	9. Tubes placed in wrong sockets.	9. Locate tubes in accordance with socket markings.
	10. Defective tubes.	10. Test tubes and replace defective ones. If tester is not available, replace tubes one at a time with a spare.
	11. Light other than that from the source may be reaching the phototube. This may be daylight, light from room fixtures, or reflected light from mirrors or polished surfaces.	11. (a) Remove interfering light or provide suitable shades. (b) Relocate phototube unit.
	12. Timing relay for gas-filled tubes may not have timed out.	12. Wait for completion of time interval.
	13. Damaged equipment due to improper handling during shipment or installation.	13. Inspect circuits for broken connections or damaged parts and repair or replace if necessary.
	1. Check items A-2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12 for possible cause of trouble.	1. As indicated in items referred to.
	2. Too low insulation resistance in phototube circuit caused by dirt or moisture. This includes the socket, cable, and connections.	2. Clean or replace cable, sockets, or other defective parts. The insulation resistance between all high impedance points and ground, with phototube removed and cable disconnected from panel should be 500 megohms or more.
	3. Contacts or relay or contactor may have welded, or they may have reached the end of their operating life.	3. Replace contacts, or entire relay or contactor. If contacts weld frequently, the current inrush to the load is too great. Either the load must be reduced or an auxiliary contactor installed.
	4. Broken or loose connections between electronic panel and auxiliary control.	4. Repair faulty connections.
	5. Vibration or loose mounting has caused misalignment of light source, phototube unit, or light reflecting surfaces.	5. Place equipment in proper alignment.
	6. Excessive accumulation of dirt, oil film, or other foreign matter on the lens or other surfaces which transmit or reflect light.	6. Clean the surfaces and inspect at regular intervals.
B. Photoelectric system does not operate. Has been functioning satisfactorily but suddenly failed.	7. Defect in the electronic circuit such as (a) Broken or loose connections. (b) Shorted or open capacitor. (c) Open resistors or potentiometers. (d) Shorted or open transformer winding. (e) Shorted or open relay or contactor coil.	7. Locate fault and make necessary repairs. Refer to section on servicing in this article.

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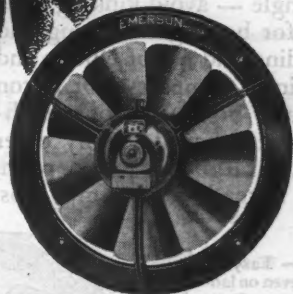
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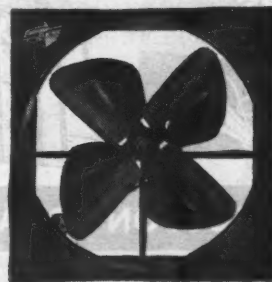


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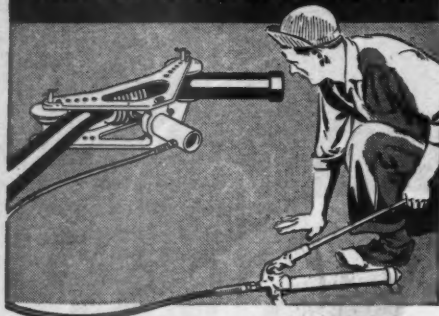


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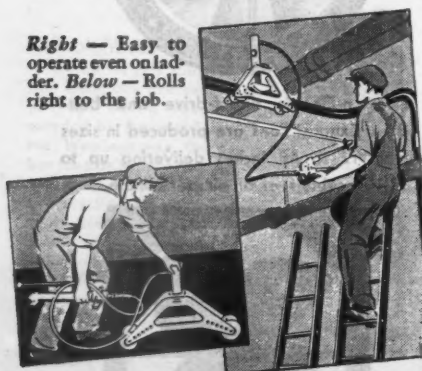


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C. Does not maintain calibration.	1. Check items A-2, 3, 10, 11, B-2, 5, 6. 2. Phototube operating at too high a temperature. Although the phototube can be operated at 100 C without damage, it is advisable to keep below 70 C in order to maintain calibration.	1. As indicated in item referred to. 2. Suitable cooling means must be provided. A radiant heat shield of metal with a bright surface placed in front of the phototube holder is usually helpful. If this is not adequate, air cooling or liquid cooling by means of coils around the holder may be necessary.
D. Instrument does not indicate changes in temperature.	1. Check items A-4, 10, and B-2, 6. 2. Instrument is defective. 3. Connections to instrument are open. 4. Defect in electronic circuit such as (a) Broken or loose connections. (b) Shorted or open capacitor. (c) Open resistor or potentiometer. (d) Shorted or open transformer winding.	1. As indicated in item referred to. 2. Repair or replace. 3. Repair connections. 4. Locate fault and make necessary repairs. Refer to section on servicing in this article.
E. Temperature indicating portion of circuit operates satisfactorily, but control portion does not.	1. Check items A-2, 10, and B-3, 4, 7.	1. As indicated in item referred to.

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TROUBLE	CAUSE	REMEDY
F. Unit does not respond to changes in daylight intensity.	1. Check items A-3, 4, 10 and B-2, 3, 4. 2. Tubes or relay may have been damaged by lightning. 3. Defect in electronic circuit such as (a) Broken or loose connections. (b) Shorted or open capacitor. (c) Open resistor or potentiometer. (d) Shorted or open relay coil.	1. As indicated in item referred to. 2. Replace tube and repair or replace relay. 3. Locate fault and make necessary repairs. Refer to section on servicing in this article.
G. Illumination level adjustment has to be changed frequently to maintain operation at the proper light level.	1. Defective amplifier tube.	1. Replace tube.
H. Light level at which relay operates varies appreciably from day to day.	1. Improper location of light control.	1. Control should be located so that rays of sun never shine on phototube. Control should face north where north of equator.

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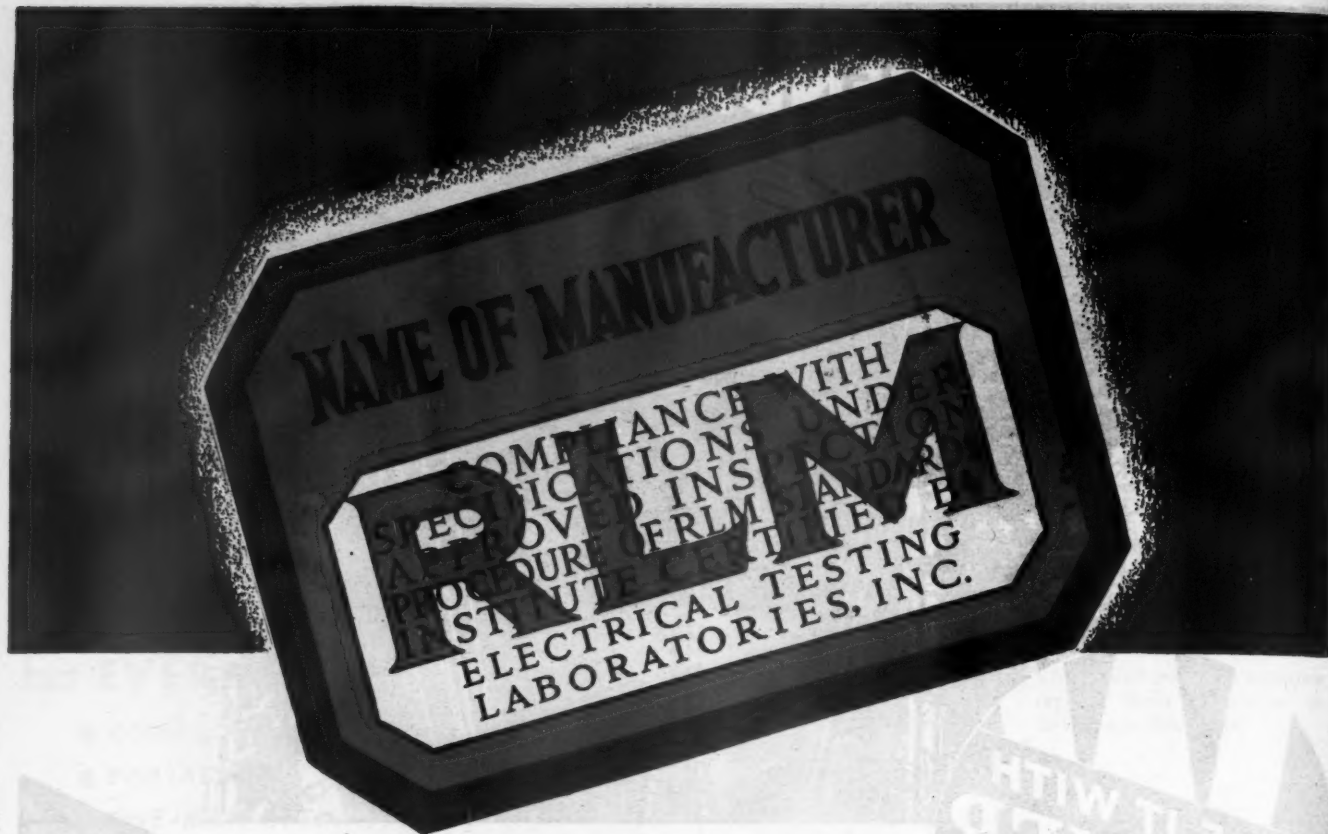
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## Controllers for Wound-Rotor Motors—II

Connection diagrams of the various types of controllers and fundamentals of their operation are explained in this article on the selection and application of wound-rotor motor controllers.

THE characteristics of the wound-rotor motor make it adaptable to speed and starting control. A number of different methods may be used to exploit these characteristics to the greatest advantage.

### Face-plate Starters

Figure 1 below shows the wiring diagram of a manually-operated face-plate type starter. The starter has an operating lever provided with contact brushes on both ends. Two sets of copper segments are mounted on the

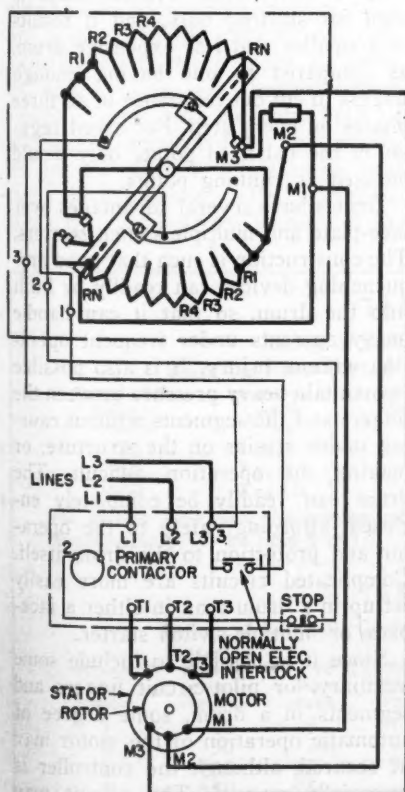


FIG. 1 Connections for a face-plate starter for wound-rotor motor.

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starter base. The resistor material, which is in the form of wire wound resistor tubes or of cast-iron grids, is mounted in the starter enclosure, and is connected to the copper segments. The resistor is made up of three sections connected in delta, but is commutated in two phases only, the third being a fixed step. This arrangement is used because it permits the use of a simple operating lever. The resistor is balanced in all three phases at the start, and also in the final running position, and is unbal-

anced in the intermediate positions. The unbalancing during starting is not detrimental, and the resistance can be proportioned so as to compensate somewhat for it. The starting lever is provided with a spring to return it to the all-resistance-in position when it is released. It is held in the running position by a small electro-magnet, the coil of which is connected across two of the power lines, behind the stator contactor. The lever cannot be left in the full-in position unless the stator contactor is closed, nor can the lever be left in an intermediate position at any time. A further safety feature is an interlock circuit on the starter which prevents closing of the stator contactor unless the starter lever is in the all-resistance-in position. The starter

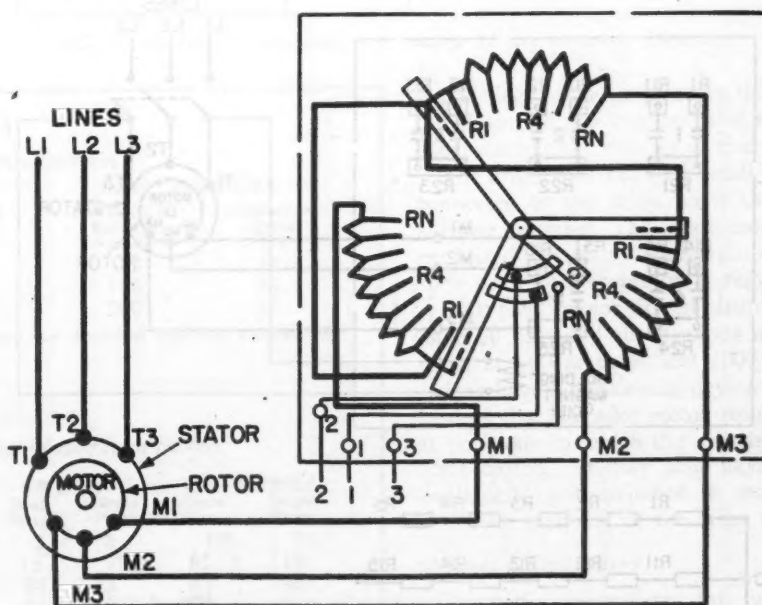


FIG. 2 Connections for a face-plate speed regulator showing the rotor circuit resistance and the three-arm operating lever.

Face-plate starters are made for motors up to 50 horsepower, and having a full-load rotor current of not over 150 amperes.

Figure 2 shows the connections for a face-plate speed regulator. The resistance is commutated in all three phases at the same time to maintain a balanced condition on all speed points. It is not so difficult to build a three-arm regulating lever, because the spring return feature is not necessary. Regulators of this type are built in sizes up to 40 horsepower, and for rotor currents up to 100 amperes. The usual speed reduction is 50 percent.

For larger motors, up to 2000 horsepower, and having rotor currents as high as 1000 amperes, multiple-switch starters are used. Figure 3 shows the wiring diagram of one of these starters. The diagram shows a knife switch handling the stator circuit. For high voltage this might be an oil type circuit breaker. For lower voltages a line starter would be used, or perhaps an air-break circuit breaker. The resistor material is connected into all three phases of the rotor circuit, and so the circuit is balanced on all points

The multiple-switch controller is designed for starting duty only, and is not made in a form suitable for speed regulation.

When a motor must be operated frequently a drum controller can be used that will offer a sturdy, easy-operating, and dependable control means. Drums are built to handle both stator and rotor circuits, the cylinder mounting the contact segments, being built in two insulated sections. They are also built to handle the rotor circuit only, the stator then being controlled by a line starter or by a circuit breaker. In either case the drum has a rotatable cylinder of cast iron or brass, on which copper contact segments are mounted. A set of stationary contact fingers is mounted on an insulated shaft, and the fingers are arranged to make contact with the copper segments as the drum cylinder is rotated. The operating handle may be of the

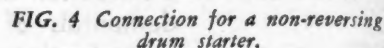
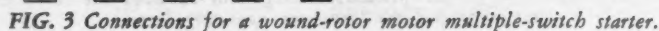


Figure 4 shows the connections for a drum starter for a wound-rotor motor. The resistor material is mounted separately from the drum, and connections from the resistor are brought to the drum fingers. As the drum is moved from the off position through positions one to nine, it short circuits steps of resistance alternately in the three phases. Therefore the circuit is balanced on points 0, 3, 6, and 9, and unbalanced on the other points. This does no harm when the controller is used for starting duty, and it results in a smaller and less expensive drum, as compared to one having enough fingers to cut out resistance in all three phases on every step. For speed regulation the balanced points only would be used as running points.

Since it is possible to include some auxiliary, or pilot-circuit\* fingers and segments in a drum, some degree of automatic operation of the motor may be secured, although the controller is essentially manual. The circuit may be arranged so that the stator contactor can be closed only in the off position



of the drum, but will maintain itself closed in all other positions, thus giving low-voltage, or power-failure, protection. The circuit is shown in Fig. 5. With this arrangement all making and breaking of the current occurs in the drum. The circuit can readily be arranged so that the line contactor will make and break the current. To do this the contactor coil is closed on the first drum position instead of the off position, as shown in Fig. 6. Both arrangements are in common use. The advantages of both may be secured by using a control relay in addition to the line contactor, the relay being energized in the off position, and the contactor in the first position of the drum. Limit switches to open the circuit when a machine has reached a selected position, may also be used with a drum controller, provided that the stator circuit of the motor is controlled by a contactor.

NEMA standard ratings for a.c. drums are shown in Table I.

#### Motor-driven Drums

Stokers, blowers, and large air-conditioning units often use relatively large motors, and require close automatic speed regulation. Motor-driven drums may be used for such applications. The construction of the drum differs from that previously described, in that cam-operated switches are used in place of the segment and finger construction. The drums are built with either 13 or 20 balanced speed-regulating points, and the cam switch construction saves space when so many balanced points are needed. Each switch carries two contacts, both of which are connected to the middle leg of the resistor. They make contact simultaneously with stationary contacts, one connected to each of the

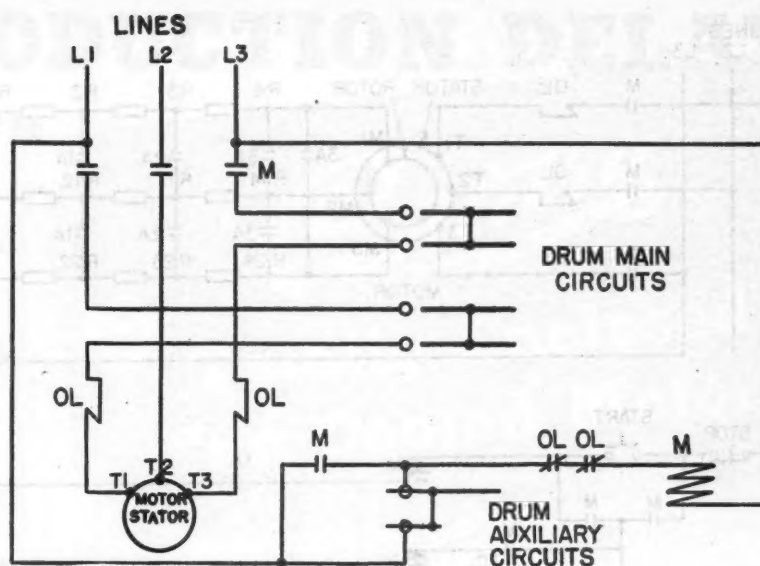


FIG. 5 Method of obtaining low-voltage protection with a drum controller.

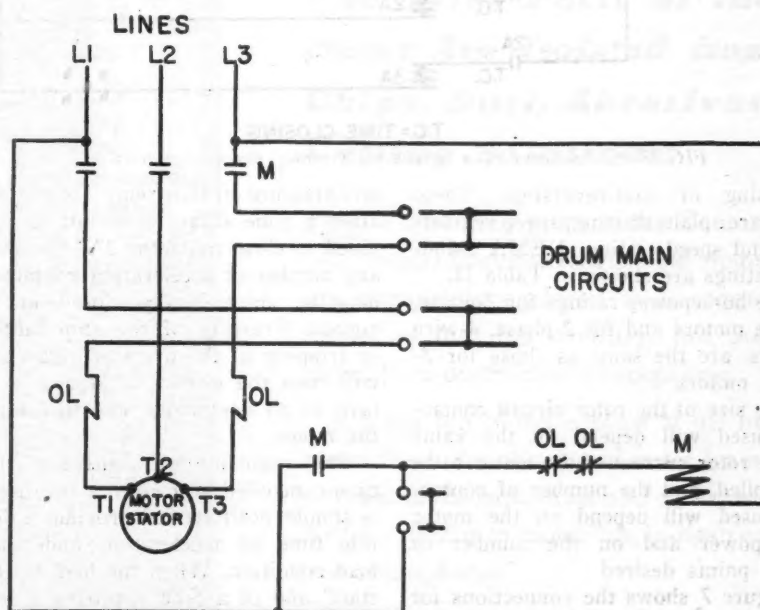


FIG. 6 Method of obtaining low voltage release or drum protection.

TABLE I

#### Ratings of Enclosed Drum Switches

Stator and Rotor Control			Rotor Control Only	
Standard 8 hr. Rating in Amperes	Number of Control Points	Intermittent Duty Rating Amperes	Standard 8 hr. Rating in Amperes	Number of Control Points
75	5 or 6	95	75	11
150	7 or 8	190	150	11
300	9 or 10	380	300	11

For starting duty only the ampere ratings may be doubled and the number of starting points may be from 8 to 10.

TABLE II

#### Ratings of Magnetic Controllers for Wound-rotor Motors

NEMA Size Number	8-Hr Open Rating of Controller Amperes	HP at 110V		HP at 230V		HP at 440-550V	
		Three Phase	Single Phase	Three Phase	Single Phase	Three Phase	Single Phase
1	25	3	1½	5	3	7½	5
2	50	7½	3	15	7½	25	10
3	100	15	7½	30	15	50	25
4	150	25	—	50	—	100	—
5	300	—	—	100	—	200	—
6	600	—	—	200	—	400	—

outside legs of the resistor. In this way the closing of any cam-operated switch short-circuits the resistor at that point.

The drum is driven by a small motor connected to the drum shaft through suitable gearing. The pilot motor is energized by some automatic device such as a thermostat or a regulator.

A typical motor-driven drum may have 20 balanced speed points and be rated at 600 amperes and 1000 volts. It may have a positioning device which insures that the pilot motor stops only at positions in which the switches are fully closed. It may also have self-contained limit switches to stop the motor at each end of the drum travel.

#### Magnetic Controllers

Magnetic controllers for wound-rotor motors are made in three general types, any of which may be either

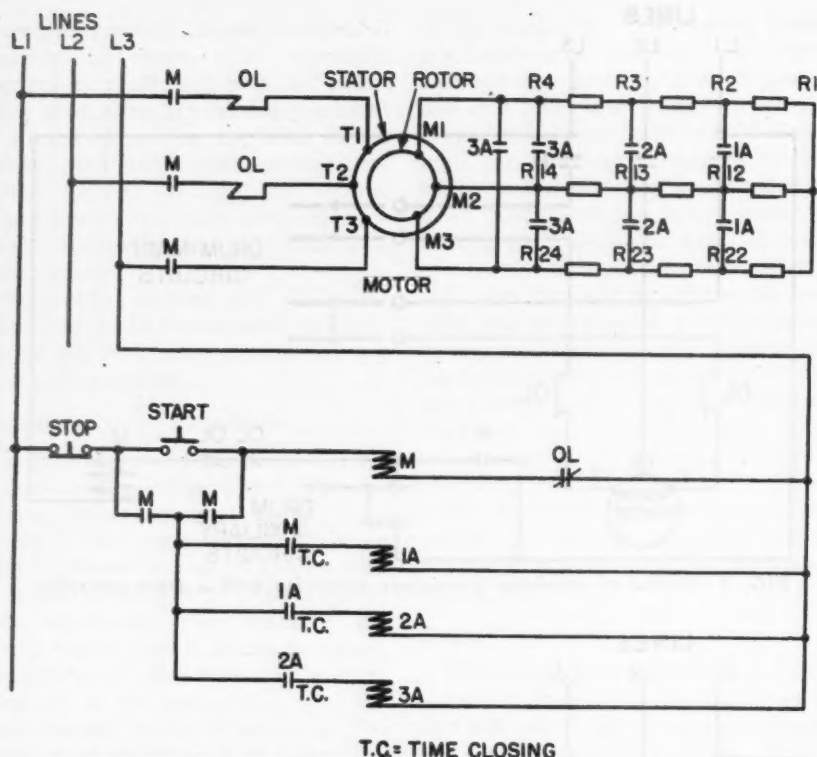


FIG. 7 Connections of a wound-rotor motor magnetic starter.

reversing or non-reversing. These types are: plain starting, speed regulating, and speed setting. NEMA standard ratings are shown in Table II.

The horsepower ratings for 2-phase, 3-wire motors and for 2-phase, 4-wire motors, are the same as those for 3-phase motors.

The size of the rotor circuit contactors used will depend on the value of the rotor current of the motor to be controlled, and the number of contactors used will depend on the motor horsepower and on the number of speed points desired.

Figure 7 shows the connections for a starting-duty controller. The closing of the rotor circuit contactors is under the control of timing relays. In this instance the relays are of the dash-pot type, and are mechanically fastened to, and operated by, the motor contactors. When the starting push button is pressed, the stator contactor M is energized and closes, connecting the stator to the power supply lines. An auxiliary switch, or interlock switch, on M, is also closed to provide a circuit around the start button. Closing of the interlock also provides a circuit to energize the first accelerating contactor 1A, but the circuit is not as yet complete. When M closes it compresses a spring which in turn exerts a pressure to close the timing relay TR-M. The closing of TR-M is retarded by a dash pot. After a time delay TR-M closes, completing the circuit to the coil of 1A, which then also closes, short-circuiting the first step of controller resistor. The closing of 1A ex-

erts pressure on time relay TR-1A, and after a time delay, a circuit is provided to close contactor 2A. Similarly any number of accelerating contactors may be automatically closed in sequence. Pressing of the stop button, or tripping of the overload relay OL, will open the circuit to M and so in turn to all contactors, and disconnect the motor.

The majority of controllers use time-controlled acceleration because it is simple, positive, and provides a definite time of acceleration under any load condition. When the load is constant, and of a type requiring a long accelerating time, current-controlled relays may be used instead of time relays. Machines having heavy fly wheels, large extractors, and similar machines, may use current-controlled acceleration to advantage.

It will be evident that the starter described may easily be arranged for speed regulation. It is only necessary to provide a multiple push button, or

a small drum master switch, so that the coil circuits of the rotor contactors may be independently controlled.

Speed setting is desirable on printing presses and other machines which may be frequently stopped, and which, when restarted, should return to the speed at which they were running before being shut down. An ordinary speed regulating controller may be used this way if the amount of speed regulation is small, but if it is large the resistor will limit the motor current to a value too low to permit restarting. To avoid the difficulty, speed-setting controllers are often equipped with an additional rotor-circuit contactor which is connected so as to short-circuit just enough of the resistor to provide the maximum starting torque. The coil of the contactor is so connected that the contactor will close with the M contactor, and remain closed as long as the operator keeps his finger on the start button. When the motor has accelerated the operator releases the button, the high-torque contactor opens, and the motor assumes the desired running speed as determined by the selector.

Some machines require a large number of running speeds, and with magnetic control the number of rotor-circuit contactors required may increase the size and cost of the control beyond reasonable limits. Figure 8 shows a method of obtaining a large number of speeds with a relatively small number of contactors. Here the resistor steps are tapered in ohmic value according to a geometric ratio, and the contactors are closed in various combinations instead of in a fixed sequence. Figure 16 shows a total resistance of 15 ohms, arranged in four steps of 1, 2, 4, and 8 ohms. Closing contactor 1A only will leave 14 ohms in circuit. Closing 2A only will leave 13 ohms. Closing 1A and 2A will leave 12 ohms. Similarly any resistance from 0 to 15 ohms, in steps of 1 ohm, may be obtained. The controller thus gives sixteen speeds with the use of four contactors. With five contactors, thirty-two speeds may be obtained.

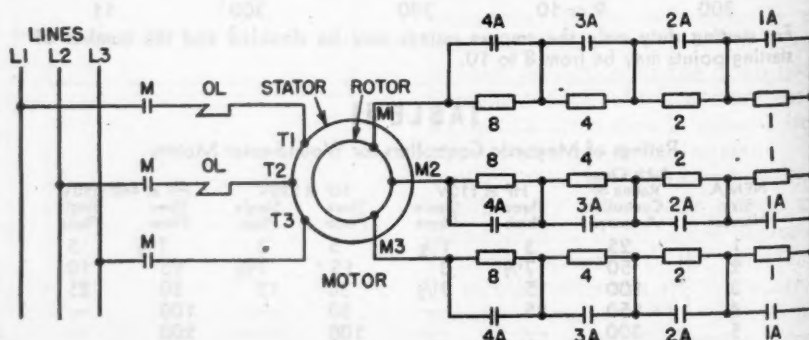


FIG. 8 Sixteen point speed regulator for a wound-rotor motor.



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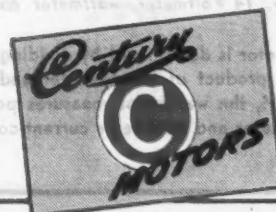
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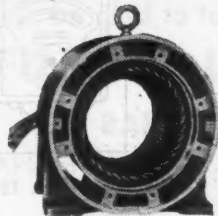
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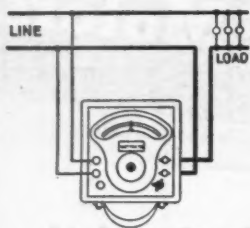


FIG. 8 Wattmeter

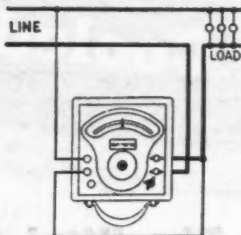


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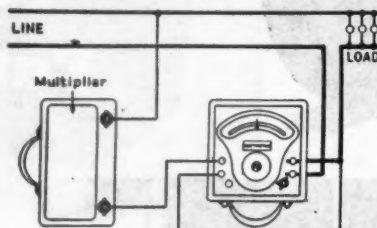


FIG. 10 Multiplier and wattmeter

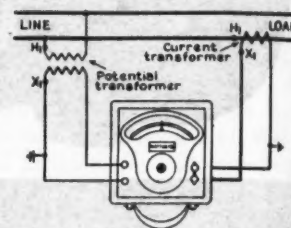


FIG. 11 Wattmeter with transformers

In Fig. 8, the instrument is measuring power load plus loss in its own current-coil circuit. If the instrument reads backwards, reverse the current leads. In Fig. 9, the instrument is measuring power load plus the loss in its own potential circuit.

Potential transformers are recommended on circuits above 300 volts. On circuits of 750 volts and above, potential and

current transformers should be used. ALWAYS GROUND THE SECONDARY OF THE POTENTIAL TRANSFORMER CIRCUIT.

Special care should be taken not to overload wattmeters. It is possible to burn out a wattmeter without exceeding the full-scale reading. The reason is that a wattmeter reading is dependent on three factors: voltage, current and power factor.

#### VOLTMETER AND WATTMETER

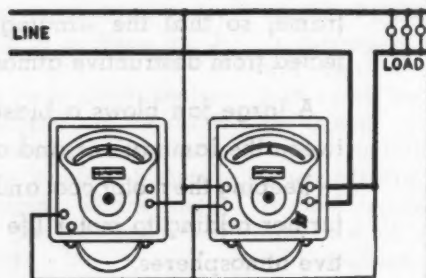


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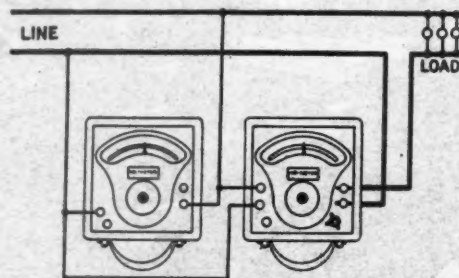


FIG. 13 Voltmeter and wattmeter

In Fig. 12 the wattmeter measures power load plus losses in the voltmeter and wattmeter potential circuits.

In Fig. 13, the wattmeter measures power load plus loss in its own current-coil circuit.

#### VOLTMETER, WATTMETER AND AMMETER

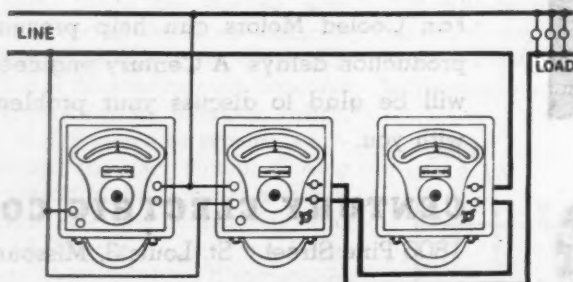


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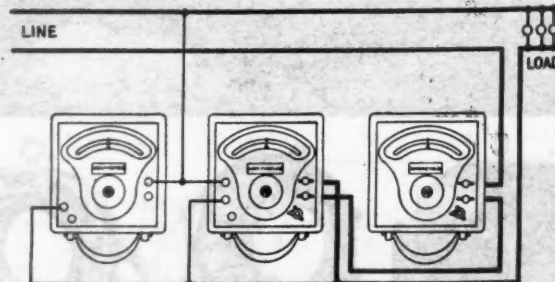


FIG. 15 Voltmeter, wattmeter and ammeter

Power factor is determined by dividing the wattmeter reading by the product of the ammeter and voltmeter readings. In Fig. 14, the wattmeter measures power load plus losses in the ammeter and wattmeter current-coil circuits.

In Fig. 15, the wattmeter measures the sum of the power losses of the load, the potential circuit of the wattmeter, and the voltmeter.

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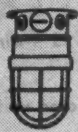
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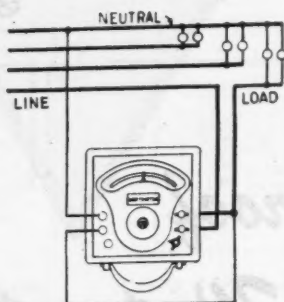


FIG. 16 Single-phase wattmeter in balanced 3-phase, 4-wire circuit

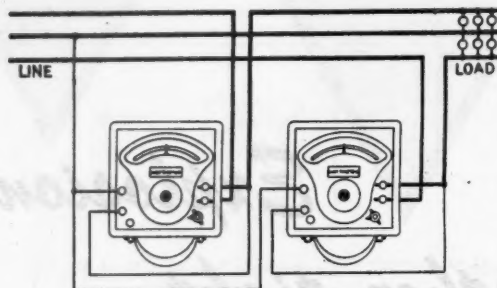


FIG. 17 Two wattmeters connected for 3-phase balanced or unbalanced voltages or load

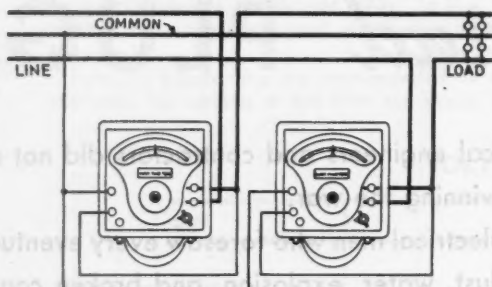


FIG. 18 Two wattmeters connected for 2-phase 3-wire balanced or unbalanced load

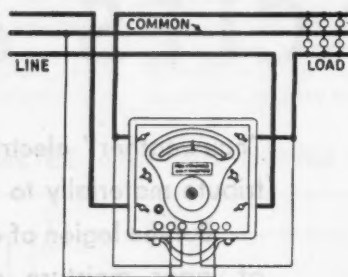


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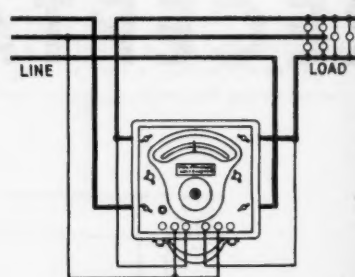


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The accuracy of tests made with single-phase wattmeters will be somewhat higher than those made with polyphase wattmeters.

Voltage ranges can be extended by the use of multipliers or transformers. For high accuracy, use the instruments at 40 percent of rated current or above.

#### POWER FACTOR METER

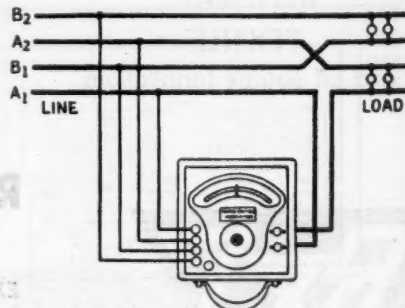
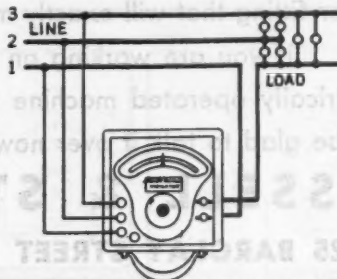
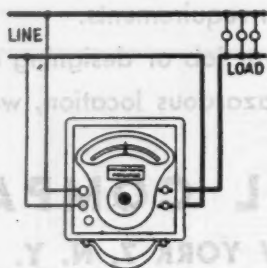


FIG. 21 Single-phase power factor meter FIG. 22 3-wire, 3-phase power factor meter FIG. 23 4-wire, 2-phase power factor meter

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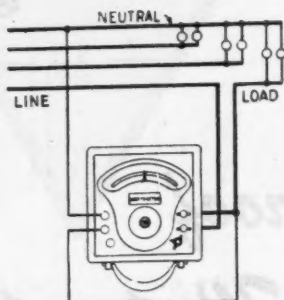


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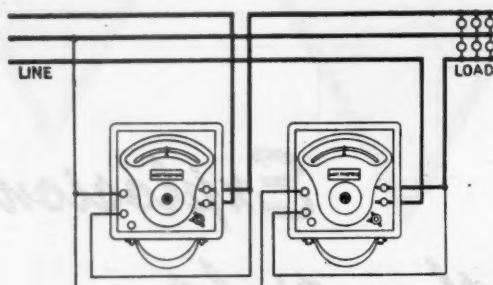


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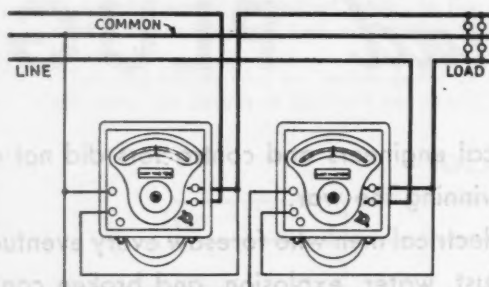


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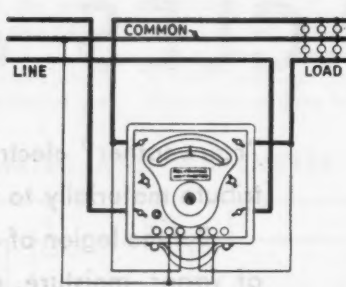


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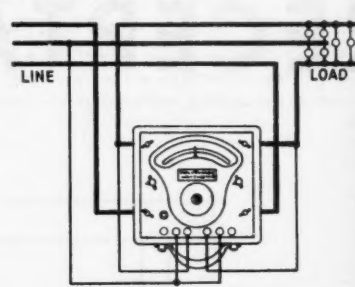


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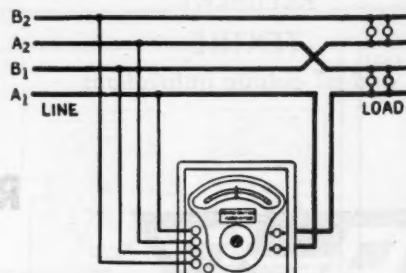
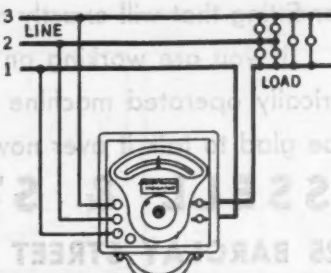
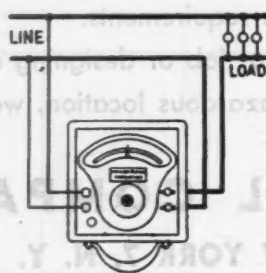


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floor: \_\_\_\_\_ wood \_\_\_\_\_ carpeted \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft.  
\_\_\_\_\_ linoleum \_\_\_\_\_ West \_\_\_\_\_ South \_\_\_\_\_ East

WINDOWS: Area, approx. square feet total \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft.  
Exposure: \_\_\_\_\_ North \_\_\_\_\_ West \_\_\_\_\_ South \_\_\_\_\_ East

PRESENT LIGHTING: type: \_\_\_\_\_ fc desired: \_\_\_\_\_ fc.  
Footcandles (if known): present \_\_\_\_\_ volts \_\_\_\_\_ reading

CURRENT AVAILABLE: phase \_\_\_\_\_ cycles \_\_\_\_\_ general \_\_\_\_\_ decorative  
WORK OR USE for which lighting is required: \_\_\_\_\_ display \_\_\_\_\_

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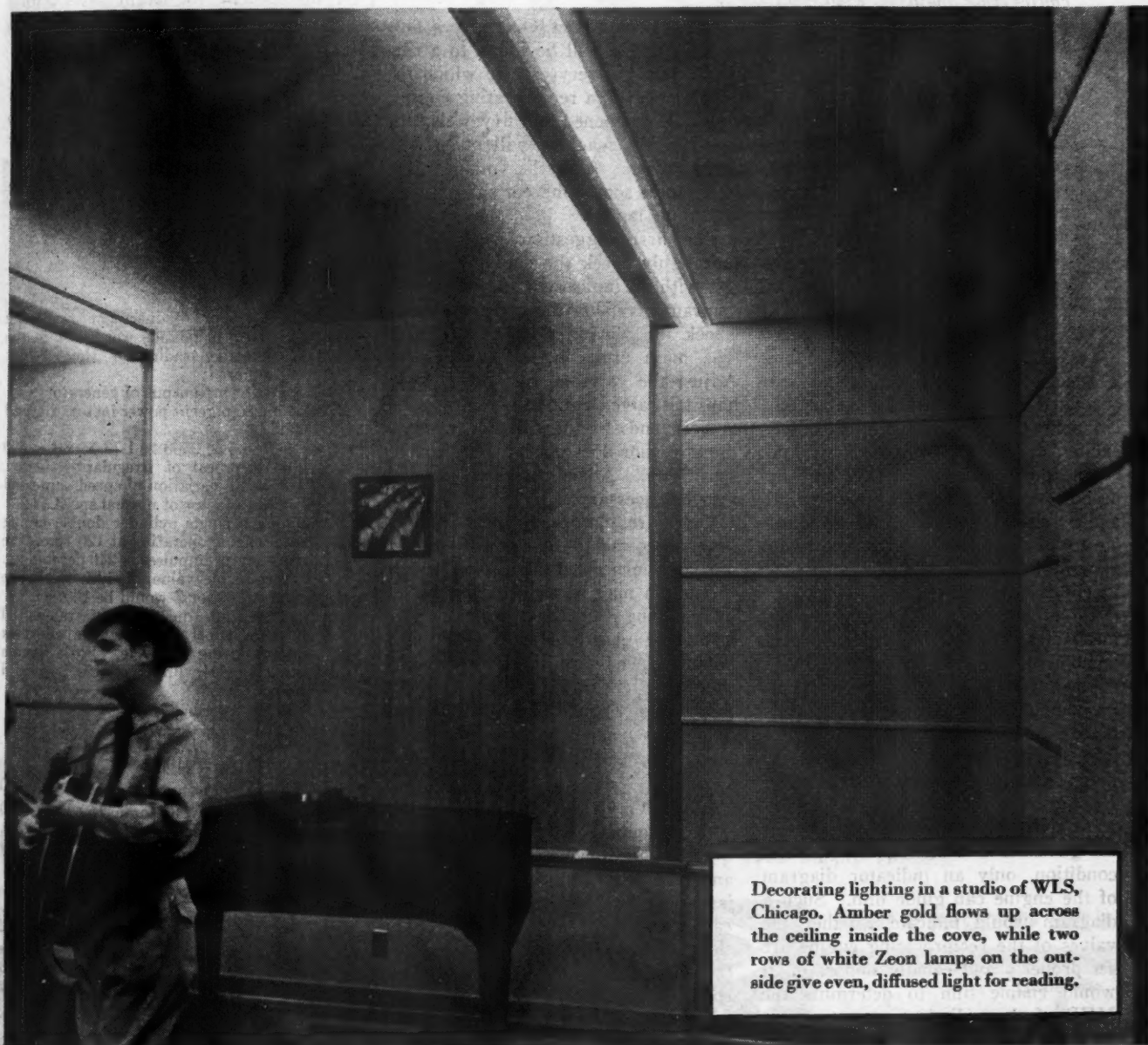
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## VOLTAGE REGULATOR AND GENERATOR

**QUESTION 150.** I have a type PDA-3A, 115 volt, 60 cycle voltage regulator operating in conjunction with a 2300 volt, 188.5 amp., 3 phase, 60 cycle, 120 rpm. generator that is directly connected to a reciprocating steam engine. The trouble I am having is with the control of the voltage which constantly rises and falls in step with the revolutions of the engine. The armature of the regulator also dips up and down in step. Can someone give me a solution for correcting this condition?—F.L.C.

**A.** TO QUESTION 150. I am not convinced that the trouble emanated from the voltage regulator. No mention was made as to the exciter, exciter drive, type of alternator and engine governor. Therefore, only by process of elimination of mechanical and/or electrical possibilities responsible for the described erratic engine or generator operation, will he succeed in eliminating his trouble.

First he should try to analyze the mechanical system. With the aid of a tachometer he should check the speed of the engine. If the tachometer reading should fluctuate, or as F.L.C. puts it, rise and fall with reciprocating motion of the engine this would clearly indicate trouble of a mechanical nature. Next in line would be to check the governor and governor setting; if however, the governor and setting is in perfect condition, only an indicator diagram of the engine can guide him. Such a diagram would indicate whether the valves of the reciprocating engine are set properly and equally important, it would enable him to determine the MEP of the cylinders.

Now to the electrical end, check voltage control by blocking, shunting or shorting the control and observe the instruments. Check exciter, all connections thoroughly, and if compounded wound, see that exciter is compounded

properly. Check exciter armature windings for open or short circuit; brushes, brushholders; if alternator is of the rotating field type, check all connections to and from and including the slip rings.—A.C.

**A.** TO QUESTION 150. This trouble will be found to a certain extent in every case in which the prime mover is a reciprocating engine. Even if dampened by flywheels, the speed of the machine will pulse with every stroke. Also, the voltage regulators have some inherent sluggishness and time lag.

The first suggestion would be to thoroughly check the engine. Take a test with an indicator and see that the diagram given on the card is correct. Check for bearing play in the eccentric, main crank, valve linkage, etc. Adjust the valves if necessary. Perhaps the valve clearance is not the same at both ends of the cylinder. Maybe the governor does not have the correct sensitivity. Added flywheel capacity may be necessary.

On the regulator end, check the auxiliary rheostat to see that it has not partially burned out. On some models, the action may be adjusted by adding or removing shot from the cup hanging below the main contacts. The dashpots may need cleaning or adjusting or the spring tension may be wrong on the relay magnet contacts. A maintenance bulletin is usually obtainable from the manufacturer.—L.E.B.

**A.** TO QUESTION 150. Your trouble seems to be in not having enough flywheel effect in engine and generator at this slow speed. There is a considerable change in speed for each steam cylinder impulse. This slowing down between impulses causes the voltage to drop. The speed of response of regulator and exciter and generator is not fast enough for the voltage change caused by the change in speed to be compensated in the action of the regulator. The attempt is made, however, as indicated by the dipping of the regulator armature. Of course, the frequency also varies up and down

from 60 cycles, with 60 cycles as an average at 120 rpm.

I suggest the addition of a flywheel to keep the change in speed during a revolution to a practical minimum. Assuming you have only one generator on the system, to obtain satisfactory operation, the flywheel effect should be not less than a  $WR^2$  value of about 3,000,000. Obtain the  $WR^2$  from engine and generator manufacturer and add an additional flywheel to make up the difference so as to have the proper total flywheel effect required.

The total flywheel effect is arrived at as follows:

$$WR^2 = \frac{130 \times \text{kw.} \times Z}{\left(\frac{\text{rpm.}}{100}\right)^2} \times \frac{A_2}{A_1}$$

$WR^2$  = Moment of inertia of rotating parts in pounds weight times the effective radius of the weight squared;

kw. = kilowatt output of generator

Assuming 80 percent power factor, the load would be

kw. =  $188.5 \times 2300 \times 1.73 \times .80 = 600$

Z = reciprocal of irregularity factor, being variation of speed expressed as a factor of normal speed.

Assuming a single cylinder double acting steam engine operating at 120 rpm., the frequency of impulses is 240 per minute. A permissible value of 1/Z would be about 1/160, or Z would be 160.

A<sub>2</sub>/A<sub>1</sub> depends on shape of tangential curve of effort, or how the effort is applied during the cycle. For a double acting single cylinder engine it would be about 0.4.

$$\text{Then } WR^2 = \frac{130 \times 600 \times 160}{\left(\frac{120}{100}\right)^2} \times 0.4$$

= 2,885,000 or approximately 3,000,000

Average value of  $WR^2$  for a 750 kva. (600 kw.) 120 rpm. generator is about 100,000.

$WR^2$  of flywheel may be approximately calculated as follows:

$WR^2 = 22wt r^2$ ; where w = width of flywheel rim in inches  
t = thickness of flywheel rim in inches  
r = radius of wheel to center of rim in feet.

Thus, this calculated value for the present flywheel plus the engine and generator  $WR^2$  will indicate the approximate amount of additional flywheel effect required to iron out the fluctuations.—L.R.B.



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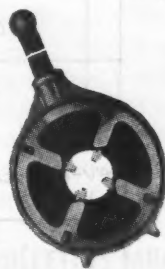
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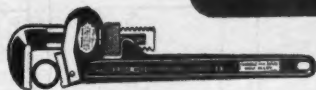
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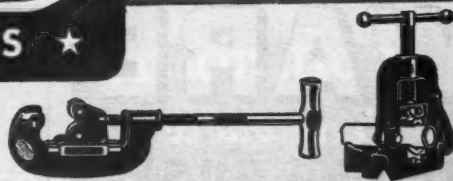
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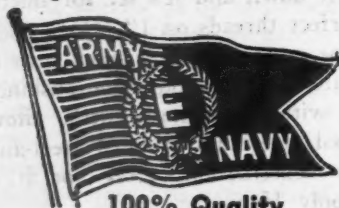
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**Q**UESTION 151. We want to control six 200 hp. 440 volt motors at a remote point about three and one half miles away, each motor to have separate start and stop controls, also separate continuous lamp indication of the running or off periods of the motor. We want to use a minimum number and size of conductors. What would be the best way to do this? There is available 110 volts on a control transformer at the motors, also 120-208 volts 60 cycles and 125 volt d.c. battery are available at the remote point. The motors are located on an average of about 2000 feet apart, with the nearest one about one and a quarter miles from the remote point.—L.R.B.

**A.** TO QUESTION 151. The simplest way to control a motor from a remote control point is as shown in Fig. No. 1. This provides for undervoltage protection against failure of the 208 volt control circuit, and it will be necessary to depress the start button again before starting up. If voltage failed on the 440 volt circuit, the motor would start up when the 440 volt power returned, because CR1 would still be energized. This, however, could be prevented by putting a voltage coil across the line side of the 440 volt magnetic switch with its contacts in series with the holding circuit to the coil of CR1, and then when 440 volts came on again after a power failure, motor

M1 would not start up until the push button at the remote control station was depressed again. This voltage contactor is not shown since it does not affect the number of wires between the remote control station and the power station.

With the connection as shown for the indicating light, it will burn every time the push button is depressed, but if CR1 fails to close at the M1 station, it will go out when the button is released. If the other six motors are in line with M1, then the same common return can serve for all six stations, and it would not be necessary to have six return wires coming out from the remote control station, as one would serve for all six.

If it is desired to prevent the lamps from burning due to operating the push button, and only burn when the 440 volt starter actually closes and at the same time not increase the number of wires, it would be possible to accomplish this by means of copper oxide rectifiers. In Fig. No. 2, two rectifiers, R1 and R2, are installed at remote control station and R3 at the M1 station. We have a direct connection through R2 at the control station to CR1 coil, but CR1 will not close because R3 is reversed with respect to R2. However, when the push button is depressed, R1 is in circuit and the direction of its arrow is same as R3 so CR1 will close and cause CR2 also to close. When the button is released, CR1 is de-energized, but CR2 is held in since its auxiliary switch is closed and it will stay in until the stop button is depressed. This will save one wire, but when using a pulsating current in

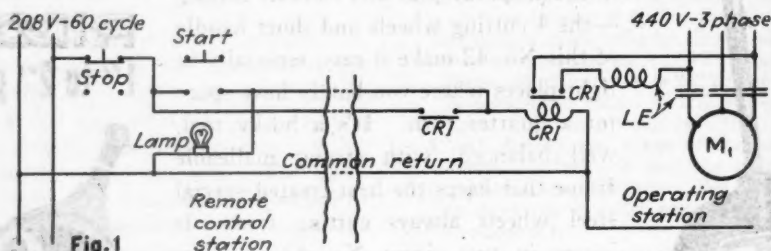


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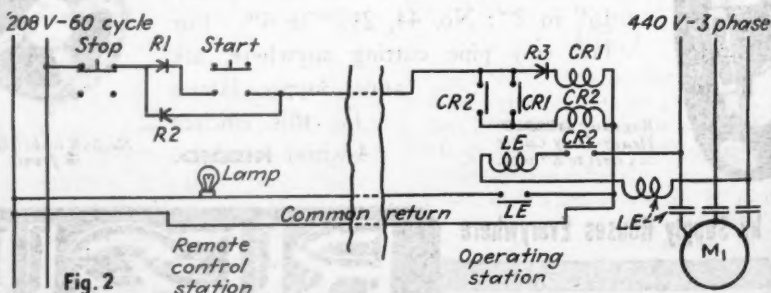


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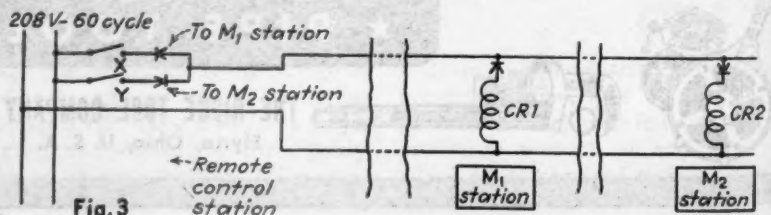


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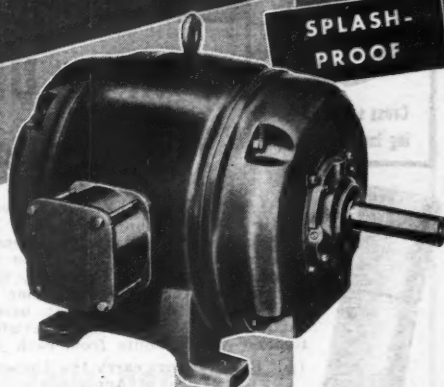
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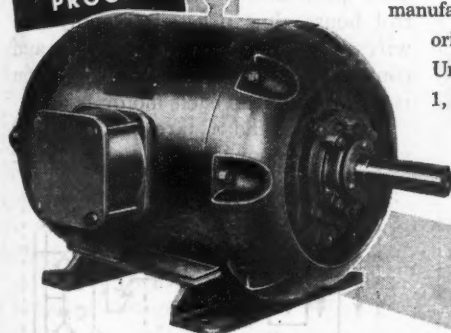
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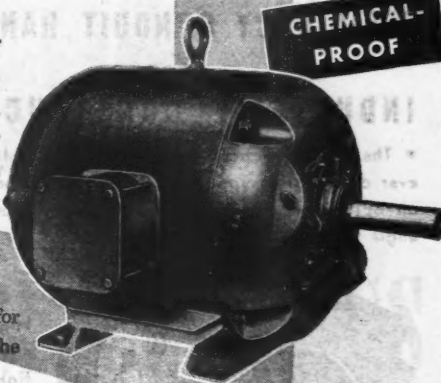
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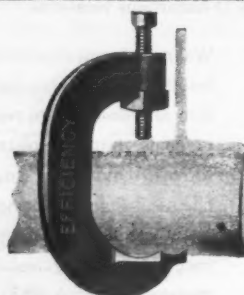


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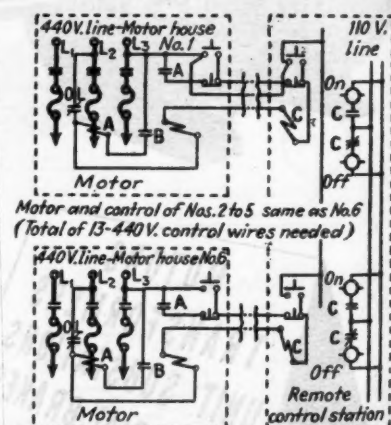
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this way the voltage is lower through the rectifiers because only half the wave length is used and CR1 and CR2 coils must be designed accordingly.

A further extension of this scheme could be used as shown in Fig. No. 3, using one control wire for two stations, M1 and M2. It is possible to select the closing of CR1 in station M1 from switch X and CR2 in station M2 by switch Y over a single wire plus a common return wire. However, this arrangement does not provide for, under-voltage protection. The relay contactors operated by a rectified current in this way should have a time delay drop-out characteristic because this current is really a pulsating current and an ordinary contactor would tend to chatter due to the current impulses. —R. E.

**A.** TO QUESTION 151. I would favor using a control scheme similar to that shown in the accompanying sketch. Only the elementary parts of the motor starter and the fundamental wiring are shown. The starter connections would be changed to suit the diagram. The 440 volt line wires would have to be phased out and connected as in the diagram. As shown, the control system contains 13 wires between the motors and the control house. The common supply to the start side of each pushbutton station in the control house thus necessitates only two wires each between motor house and control house. A pushbutton station is also shown at each motor house.

Relays B and C are identical 220 volt relays connected in series, there



being 440 volts across both of them when they are energized. The operation of the system is as follows. When the "start" button is pushed, relays B and C are energized closing the B contact and one C contact, and opening the other C contact. Closing the B contact energizes coil A which is the main starter coil. This closes the A contact and starts the motor. The auxiliary A contact keeps coils B and C energized when the start button is



released. Full starter protection is maintained as the overload contacts open the circuit to all three relays, and, as the voltage on the relays is the same as is on the motors, undervoltage release is provided. The C contacts merely operate the "ON" and "OFF" pilot lights in the control house. Two pilot lights are used to give a more positive indication of motor operation and also of pilot light failure.

Pushing the stop button now de-energizes relays C and B, contacts C de-energize the "ON" pilot light and energizes the "OFF" pilot light, contact B de-energizes coil A which in turn opens the A contacts and de-energizes the motor.

If a cable is used to bring the control wires from the motors to the control house, the wire size will be determined by the size necessary to keep the voltage drop in the circuit containing relays B and C to a maximum amount of five percent or about 22 volts. Relays B and C will be very small as they only have to be rated to handle the current through coil A at a voltage of 440. Consequently the current in the control circuit is small and very small wires can be used. If an overhead line is used for the control circuit the wires will have to be large enough to meet the necessary mechanical strength requirements as well as conductivity requirements.—O. H.

**A.** TO QUESTION 151. In the remote control of motors, the 6E5 electron-ray tube (Indicator Type) suggests a method that is both control and on-off indicator in one envelope with low current drain. Thus telephone cable or some such conductors may be used, as approximately five milliamperes flow in each control circuit.

A cathode resistor is used to obtain a negative voltage on control grid and a single pole switch is shunted across the resistor.

When the switch is closed the negative voltage is removed from the grid, the effective voltage is zero, and plate current flows. This flow of current energizes the plate circuit relay which closes the contact energizing the holding coil of the magnetic switch, setting in operation the sequence of the motor controller.

With the switch open, the negative voltage is applied to the grid, which is high enough to block the tube. With the tube blocked no plate current flows. The plate circuit relay is de-energized, opening the holding coil circuit.

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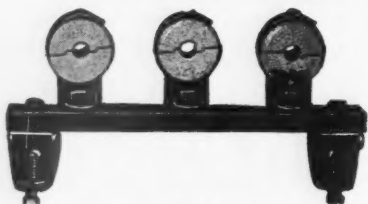


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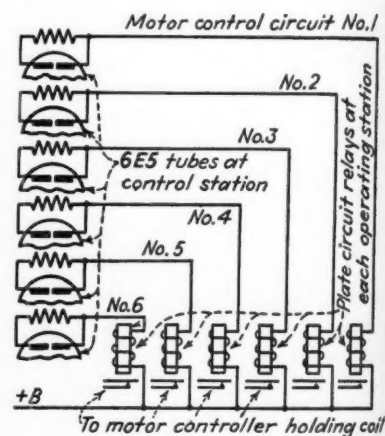
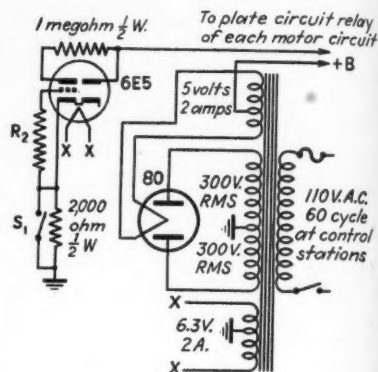
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The angle of the target-pattern should now be approximately 90 degree when the cathode shunting switch is closed.

An unfiltered rectifier using a type 80 tube is used to supply the plate voltage of the 6E5 tubes.—A.C.L.

## UNBALANCED CURRENT READINGS

**Q**UESTION 152. We have five 440-volt, 3-phase motors, each drawing unbalanced currents. The high or low values do not occur in the same phases in each case. The following readings were obtained:

75 -hp	58	41	54 amperes
35 -hp	36	22	24 amperes
35 -hp	23	16	22 amperes
20 -hp	13	8	12 amperes
7 1/2 -hp	3.7	4.1	6.6 amperes



Regarding voltage, the regulation is good and the phases are maintained at about 470, 465 and 480 volts. The transformer bank consists of three apparently identical units, connected primary wye with neutral point isolated from common neutral and ground; secondary delta. What might be the cause of these unbalanced current readings?—J. M. T.

**A.** TO QUESTION 152. There is a maximum voltage unbalance at the transformers of about 3 percent. This is not alarming and may be in part due to the unbalanced currents taken by the motors.

The current unbalance of the motors ranges from approximately 18 percent to 64 percent. A voltage unbalance would show up in a greater current unbalance. As the magnetic parts reach saturation, the reactance tends to approach a maximum. Consequently, a given percent increase in voltage will result in a much greater percent increase in current.

A suggestion would be to carefully explore the feeders with a voltmeter, searching for a bad connection or a section having conductors of different resistances. This latter may be due to wires of odd sizes or odd lengths as compared to the others. If there happen to be single phase loads taken from the 440 volt feeders, a shifting of these may alleviate the condition. When making these tests, also try disconnecting first one motor then another. One may have a damaged winding that is causing all the unbalancing to the feeders, which in turn is affecting all the other motors.—L. E. B.

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How much additional load in kva. can we add to these transformers without over loading them? How can it be calculated?—L.H.M.

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Would someone explain this effect and what might be done to correct it?—L.J.M.

**QUESTION Y6**—We have installed in an army camp laundry sixteen  $1\frac{1}{2}$  horse-power squirrel cage induction motors, each of which is direct connected for exhaust fan duty. The motors are 220 volts, 3-phase, 60 cycle. They are supplied with 3-phase, 208 volts, 60 cycle current. Will the supplied voltage damage the motors and what effect will it have on the slip and torque of the motors?—G.R.G.

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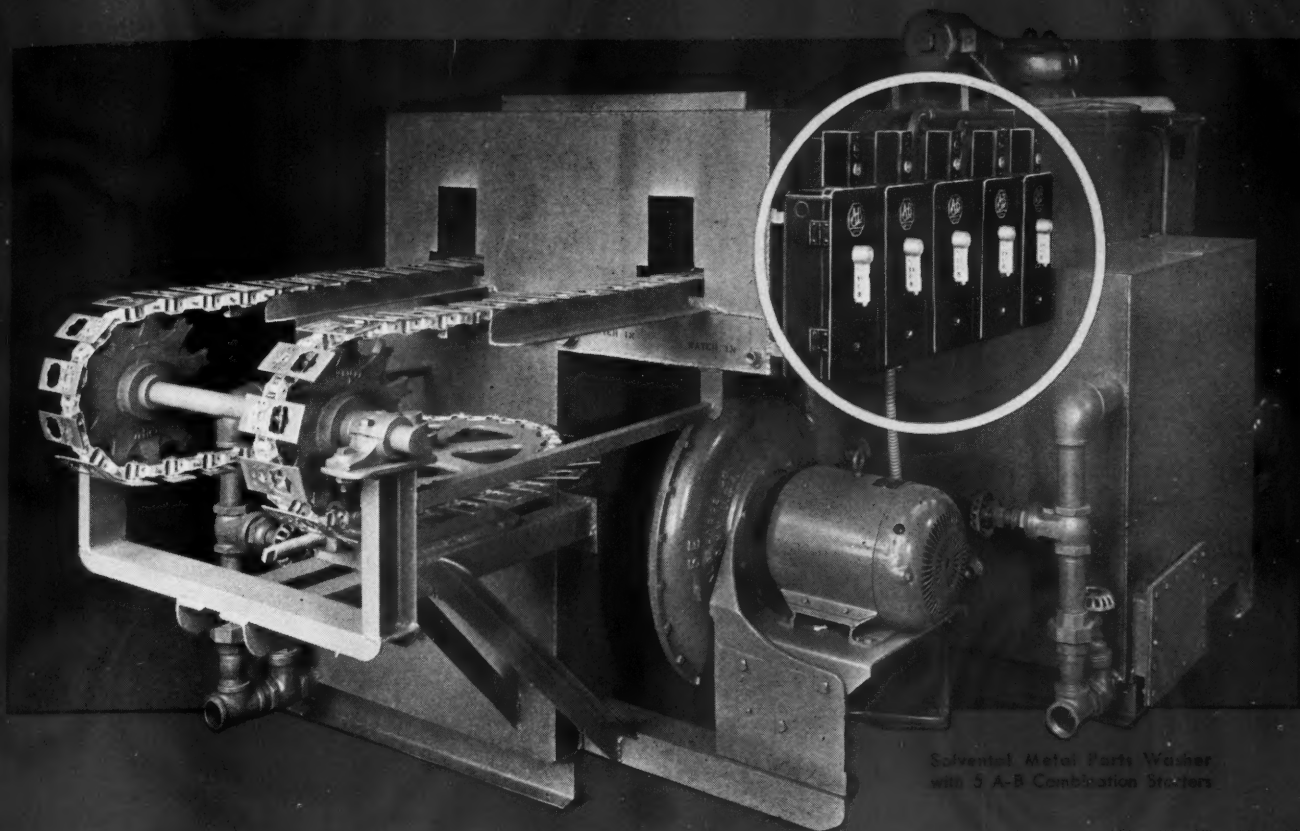
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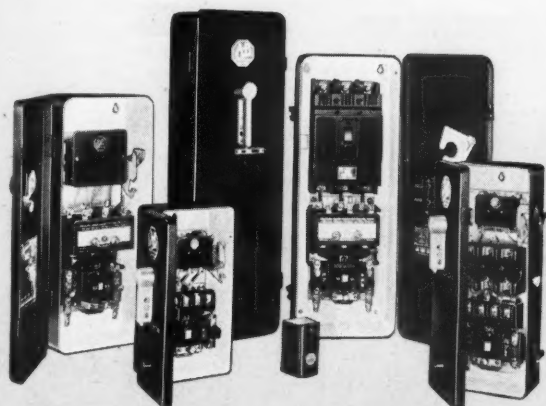
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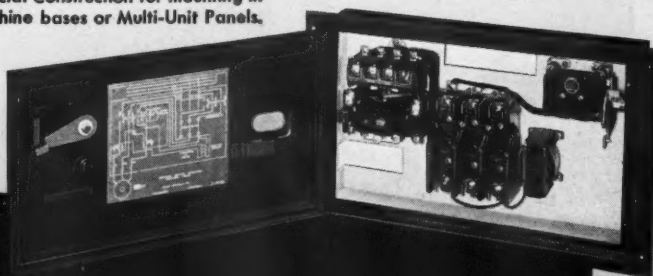


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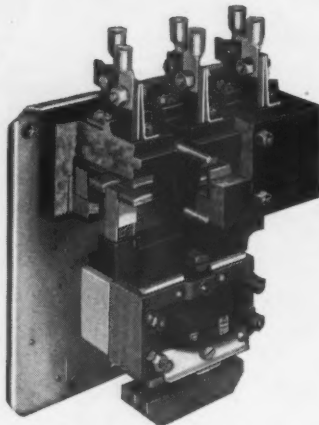
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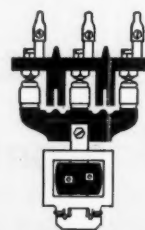
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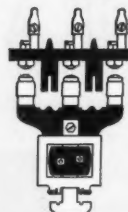
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Sponsored by the Illinois Institute of Technology, Northwestern University, and the Chicago Sections of the Institute of Radio Engineers and the A.I.E.E. with the cooperation of the Chicago Technical Societies Council, this initial national forum presented a program of 16 subject sessions with 50 papers ranging from theory to practical applications of electronics in the fields of mass entertainment, communications, medicine, power and industrial control and processing.

Opening the general session, Ralph R. Beal, research director, Radio Corporation of America, pictured electronics as one of the most striking of wartime technologies and pointed out that a science so effective in war could be used much more effectively in peace. Reiterating that electronic research has opened vast new frontiers for development and application, he urged research and more research as the order of our postwar world.

With electronics being considered one of the hopeful influences to help maintain a high rate of postwar industrial activity, new applications for industry must be developed rapidly. W. C. White, director of Electronics Laboratory, General Electric Company, told the guests at a conference luncheon. Under the impetus of war, the development period has been cut drastically in the case of electronic devices for military use, he added, concluding that some of the wartime speeding-up will continue on into the postwar era. However, he cautioned, in postwar development we must be certain that applications are economical and successful to attain and hold public acceptance.

At the session devoted to electronics in the power field, A. C. Monteith and C. F. Wagner, Westinghouse, segregated the applications into two categories—power and control purposes. Of approximately 3,300,000 kilowatts of rectifier capacity at present installed in the U. S., 2,200,000 are of the ignitron type (preferred method of obtaining d-c power at voltages of from 250 to 3000) the paper revealed. Developments incidental to the design of

three electronic frequency changers now installed in the U. S. will be useful as a benchmark in the economic study of d-c transmission, it was asserted. Present indications are that power blocks of 300,000 kilowatts and transmission distances of at least 300 miles must be considered before competition with a-c transmission can be contemplated. The paper went on to discuss various control devices that solve the more difficult industrial plant control problems electronically.

G. F. Jones and J. A. Cox, Westinghouse, evaluated the application of rectifiers and inverters in the power field. This method of conversion is finding greater acceptance because of higher efficiency, greater reliability, lower maintenance and general lower installed cost, it was revealed.

In a review of electronic motor control, B. J. Dalton, General Electric Company, stated that adjustable voltage and automatic control for shuntwound d-c motors can easily be obtained from a grid-controlled rectifier supplied by single or polyphase a-c source; that controlled reversing and stopping by inversion (by

grid control in conjunction with customary reversing contactors) is practical. Although 25 hp. is near the feasible upper limit for a power supply using hot cathode rectifiers, tests as well as foreign operating experience have shown successful use of ignitron rectifiers to supply and control larger d-c motors, he added, noting that growth in this phase might be slow because of the competition of the m-g set. Functions, speeds, responses and accuracies otherwise impossible are now practical in many processes through electronic control, he concluded.

One entire subject session dealt with High Frequency Heating of both the dielectric and inductive types. Speaking before the industrial electronics forum, M. J. Maiers, Commonwealth Edison Company, presented the result of a survey made in the field of high frequency dielectric heating. Outlining this method of heating by placing the material between the plates of a condenser of an oscillating circuit designed for a frequency of 3 to 30 megacycles with the necessary potential to provide the heating of material (brought about by molecular hysteresis)



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esis caused by the high frequency electrostatic field), Mr. Maier went on to reveal that economic applications and extensive research have been made in the food, laminated wood, furniture, plastic, textile, paper and rubber fields.

In a paper on high frequency heating of conductors and non-conductors, C. J. Madsen and R. M. Baker, Westinghouse, discussed practical factors which affect the application of high frequency technique to industrial problems—such as resistance, loss factor, size of load being heated and current and voltage in the load circuit components. Inductive heating applications require considerable development work with the parts to be heated and details of coil design which cannot be determined from calculation alone, it was asserted. This heating method is a useful tool when properly applied, but problems must be carefully studied to avoid mis-application, they concluded.

The use of radio frequencies makes possible the application of power to metal objects in concentrations up to 100 kw. per sq. in.—amounting to 20,000 kw. per cubic inch under favorable conditions, stated Dr. Wesley Roberds, Radio Corp. of America, in addressing the high frequency heating section. Such concentrations are obtained with the use of electronic generators with output powers up to 200 kw. at 400 kilocycles, he continued, the generator being coupled to the work through a current transformer and a single turn inductor loop. The thicker the work, the greater is the advantage of radio frequency heating methods, he added, while discussing the optimum performance of such methods.

Increased efficiency and greater effectiveness in high frequency heating can be obtained if generators are designed to deliver a constant rated power to a varying load, asserted Dr. Eugene Mittlemann, Illinois Tool Works, in a paper outlining means of achieving that end by appropriate impedance matching methods. Describing both induction and dielectric heating generators up to 20 kw. useful high frequency output, he went on to cite practical examples which demonstrated that generators of smaller ratings could

be used if the rematching principle was considered.

Addressing a session on electronic measurements and controls, Theodore A. Cohen, Wheelco, Instruments Co., revealed that simplification of many types of automatic control devices has been possible through the use of electronic mechanisms. Continuing, he treated the subject from an analytical viewpoint with emphasis on the development of a new relaying mechanism which eliminates measuring error normally caused by the relaying portion of such devices.

Extending the discussion in this category, H. D. Middel, General Electric Co., outlined the application of electronics to the measurement and control of process variables. Reviewing the operating capabilities and design factors involved in the application of relays to electronic circuits, R. H. Herrick, Automatic Electric Company, gave special attention to such lesser-known and often unrecognized design factors as relay coil resistance, inductance and associated capacity on operation and release speed and on tube performance.

Several types of electronic instruments for use in industrial inspection problems were outlined at the conference. The inspection of interior metal parts by means of sound waves was discussed by Dr. F. A. Firestone, University of Michigan, who outlined the operation and application of the Supersonic Reflectoscope. Revealing that a joint service-industry program of standardization and specification of cathode-ray tubes has resulted in improved performance and uniformity of production, Dr. P. S. Christaldi, Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, discussed such application as testing for vibration, balance, speed, electrical circuits and components, optical problems and non-destructive testing of many metals. The application of the Mass Spectrometer in the oil and chemical industries was discussed by Dr. J. A. Hipple, Westinghouse, who outlined in detail a fast pen recording system developed for this application.

A two million volt, mobile, X-Ray unit embodying the novel features of the million volt therapeutic and the million volt industrial units was described by Dr. E. E. Charlton and W. F. Westen-



**C. LYNN**—author of a September issue *Motor Shop* article, "Compensating Windings on D-C Motors and Generators" which was inadvertently credited incorrectly. Mr. Lynn is manager of the D-C Generator Engineering Department of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. Following graduation from the University of Kansas in Electrical Engineering and after completion of the Westinghouse training course, Mr. Lynn served a year in special training under B. G. Lamme, then chief engineer. Since that time he has devoted his energies and skill to D-C design of large specialized apparatus.

dorp, General Electric Co., at the Industrial Radiography session. The possibility of using fluoroscopy for X-ray inspection of light metals to relieve radiography of part of its burden in industry was discussed by Dr. Scott W. Smith, Kelley-Koett Mfg. Co. with specific emphasis on the factors limiting sensitivity from the standpoint of image and viewing. The use of an 'electron source utilizing field emission from a cold cathode electrode in a high vacuum to provide currents of 2000 to 3000 amperes for making ultra-speed radiographs using exposure times of the order of one micro-second was discussed in a paper presented by Dr. C. M. Slack, Westinghouse and E. R. Thilo, Frankford Arsenal. With the chief wartime use in ballistics research; the possible postwar uses were listed as analysis of rapidly moving parts of machinery where distortion or displacement of enclosed parts is suspected and inspection of parts on continuously moving conveyor belts and similar applications.

## REVISED SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER 76

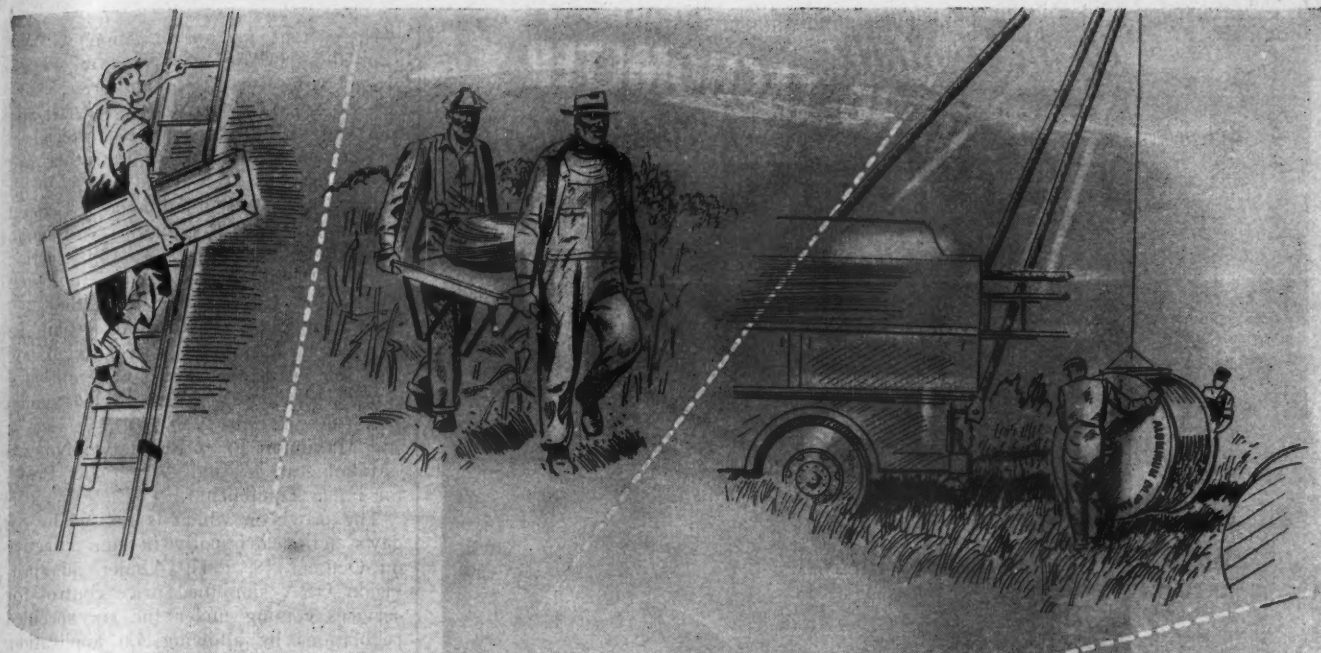
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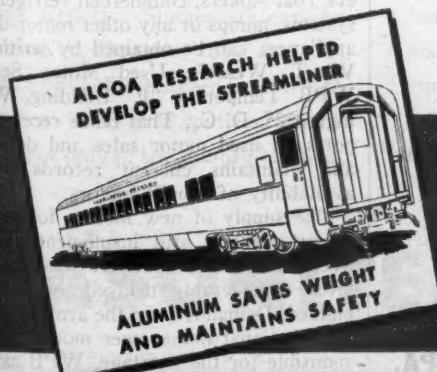
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The provision which is revised by today's action originally became effective on October 18, 1943. Under this provision OPA simplified price control for services coming under the six specified regulations by allowing, on application, that regulation which covered the bulk of the applicant's services to apply to all his services.

It will still be possible for services under Revised Maximum Price Regulation 251 to have ceilings determined by use of the provisions in one of the other five regulations, upon written authority of OPA. The price agency pointed out, however, that as a result of a recent revision of Revised Maximum Price Regulation 251, its use for services covered by the other five regulations would not be consistent with the requirements of the Price Control Act.

Revised Supplementary Order 76—Permission for Service Suppliers Subject to Certain Price Regulation to Apply the Provisions of the One Price Regulation to Services Supplied by Him—effective October 19, 1944.

## REBUILT MOTORS AVAILABLE

Repair shops needing standard model, rebuilt fractional horsepower motors for replacement purposes may obtain information from the War Production Board regarding the acquisition of such motors, WPB's Electrical and Mechanical Repair Sections has announced.

Information regarding the acquisition of rebuilt motors for repairing domestic refrigerators, washing machines, oil burners, coal stokers, commercial refrigeration systems, pumps or any other motor-driven appliances can be obtained by writing to W. T. Wessels, Used Motor Section, WPB, Temporary "E" Building, Washington 25, D. C. That office receives reports on used motor sales and deliveries and maintains current records of the availability of rebuilt motors.

The supply of new motors for civilian repair needs is still insufficient and deliveries of those that are available are often considerably delayed, officials explained. Demands from the armed services for fractional horsepower motors are responsible for the shortage, WPB said.





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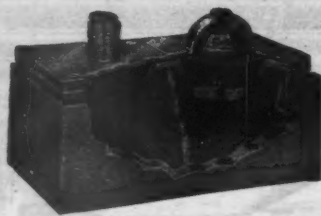
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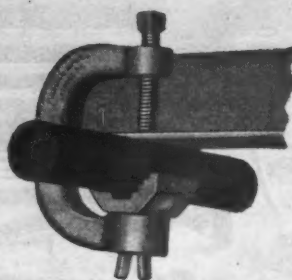


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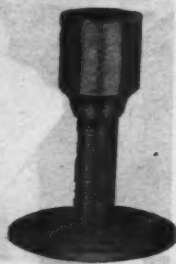
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## ORDER L-212 REVOKED

The War Production Board has revoked Order L-212 as of October 19, which controlled the manufacture and distribution of incandescent lighting fixtures. Only a small increase in production is expected to result from the revocation, WPB said.

Order L-212, originally issued in March 1943, was designed to conserve critical materials and to limit the production and sale of new incandescent lighting fixtures except for war plants, war housing and essential civilian installations. As most recently amended (August 1944) manufacturing restrictions limiting the amount of metal that could be used affected only residential type fixtures. Non-residential types could be sold only on rated orders, but residential types could be sold without ratings.

Production of incandescent lighting fixtures will still be limited by allotments of controlled materials, and by availability of labor, shipping cartons, and components, such as sockets, copper wire, and glass, WPB officials said. It is estimated that an increase in production of not more than 20 percent over present rate will result from revocation of L-212.

The use of copper in incandescent lighting fixtures is restricted by Order M-9-c. As amended October 13, 1944, Order M-9-c now permits copper products or copper base alloy products for plating of lighting fixtures.

The revocation does not mean that non-industrial types of portable electric lamps and shades are freed from restrictions, since these types are still controlled by Order L-33, officials explained.

Schedule I to P-55-c, War Housing Critical List, amended October 17 lists under Item 370 "Lighting Fixtures—as available."

This means that fluorescent lighting fixtures now held in inventory may be used in war housing construction approved under Order P-55-c. Fluorescent lighting fixtures were prohibited in such construction previous to the October 17, 1944 amendment.

## EASTERN INSPECTORS WANT NON-TAMPERABLE FUSES

*Reported by J. M. Turnbull*

Inspectors are prepared to accept about one half of the emergency materials and methods developed to meet wartime conditions according to questionnaire returns presented to the Albany, New York meeting of the Eastern Section, International Association of Electrical Inspectors. The 20th annual meeting was attended by 275 electrical inspectors, their business associates and friends.

Called to order by local chairman E. C. Dalrymple, the delegates were welcomed by acting mayor Frank S. Harris, and past president William J. Mahan responded to the welcome.

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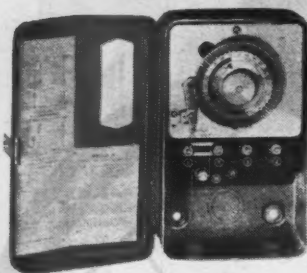
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who served many years as the first secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. Philip J. Gallacher, Commissioner of Buildings, Albany, N. Y., gave a discourse on the work and life of Joseph Henry.

Eastern Section President C. A. Ward of Paterson, N. J., in his address pointed out that the industry had fortunately been based originally on safety and not upon cheapness, and stressed to the stewards of Codemaking their obligation to satisfy the public demand for protective inspection. Inspectors favor a maximum of written specifications and a minimum need to resort to personal opinion according to Mr. Ward.

Secretary F. N. M. Squires reported a busy year with greater interest in the work of I. A. E. I., this being reflected in increased membership. Treasurer Allen W. Hopkin's report showed a prosperous financial position.

The damaging effect of poor and inadequate wartime wiring caused by lack of material and depleted inspection staffs were cited by J. D. Lynett, supervising chief inspector of New York City and international president, who urged inspectors and the industry to follow the I. A. E. I. slogan of 'Let the Code Decide' and not as some would have it to let the code slide. President Lynett felt that the I. A. E. I. had grown to manhood and accordingly should become self-supporting.

The early-morning Code Chats which took place before the regular sessions were well attended, the discussion leaders being B. A. McDonald, John M. Turnbull and Merwin M. Brandon. These informal talks brought out the peculiar needs of inspection of custom-built infrared ovens and made it apparent that inspectors will welcome code recognition and regulation of this new development. The feeder demand factors of the Code were thought to be generally ample although some questioned their adequacy to cover the electrical capacities expected to arise postwar. The pros and cons of insulation versus grounding of farm equipment and appliances was the subject of a lively discussion on rural electrification. H. G. Knoderer stressed the importance of inspection to the farmer and of keeping in mind that farmstead wiring involves not only a residence, but also a business establishment.

Reporting on the Investigation of Abuse and Bridging of Edison-Base Plug Fuses, J. D. Lynett had samples of many dangerous makeshifts and spoke on the Inspector's desire to stop the prevalent use of coins and the like in Edison-base cutouts. There followed a motion unanimously adopted to request the early reinstatement in the Code of a mandatory date for the installation of Type "S" fuseholders.

New developments in Air-Cooled Dry-type Transformers were illustrated by W. W. Satterlee of Westinghouse, showing the latest in design employing only inorganic materials and doing away with the hazards associated with liquid-cooled transformers.

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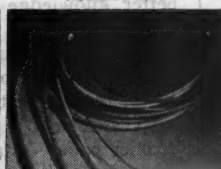
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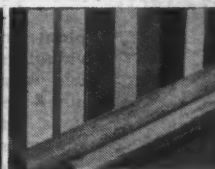
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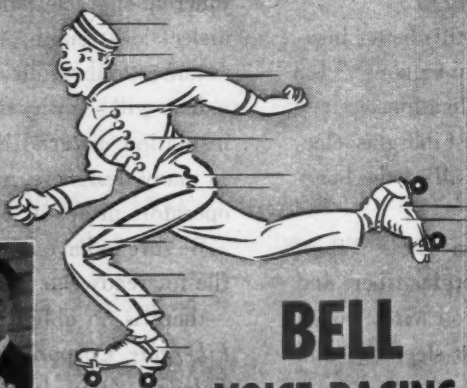
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Paul Goodell of Trumbull Electric Mfg. Co. and member N. F. P. A. Infra-Red Committee, spoke on industry developments, R. B. Shepard of Underwriters' Laboratories gave the results of an investigation of Substitute Materials and Methods, and D. L. Beeman of General Electric illustrated the use in industry of High-Voltage Distribution to Load-Center substation units.

C. S. Casterline of Syracuse, N. Y., was elected president, F. N. M. Squires and A. W. Hopkins were re-elected secretary and treasurer respectively, P. J. Hicks of Providence, R. I., first vice-president and E. T. Quinn of Newark, N. J., second vice-president.

### SOUTHERN INSPECTORS CONFER IN ATLANTA

Reported by W. T. Stuart

Winding up the annual series of regional meetings of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, the Southern Section conference was held in Atlanta, Georgia, September 25-27 with approximately 150 attending.

In view of the imminent revision to the National Electrical Code, a large proportion of the meeting time was devoted to discussion of wartime interim rules and their effects on electrical safety. James D. Lynett, president of IAEI, urged that inspection take a vigorous stand wherever the safety of the public is in question. He urged the inspectors and the industry to keep in mind that the coming revision is a postwar code that will probably not reach final publication until early 1946. For that reason we must think beyond wartime scarcities and restrictions.

M. A. Brandon, Underwriter Laboratories, New York, presented the results of a nationwide survey on the experience of electrical inspections with wartime substitutes and rules. The consensus was that most of the emergency measures should be eliminated as quickly as possible.

J. J. Siddall, H. H. Robertson Company, Pittsburgh, urged closer coordination of section activities, pointing out the responsibility of IAEI as the one industry forum that has industry-wide support.

George Welman reporting for the postwar committee discussed the need for a better knowledge of the Code procedure among electrical inspectors.

Marion H. Hedges, director of research, I.B.E.W., spoke on the education and adjustments of electrical workers after the war, reviewing in particular the new electronics course established by I.B.E.W. at Marquette University. Code treatment of infra red drying equipment was discussed by H. N. Pye of Atlanta and code treatment of welding apparatus and installations by B. Z. Segall, New Orleans.

E. C. Knox of Miami was named President for 1945 and G. M. Ross of Sheffield, Alabama, first Vice President. A. M. Miller of Richmond, Virginia, was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer.



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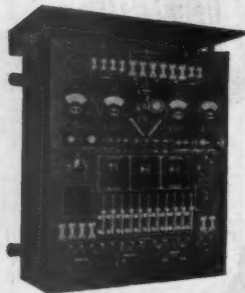
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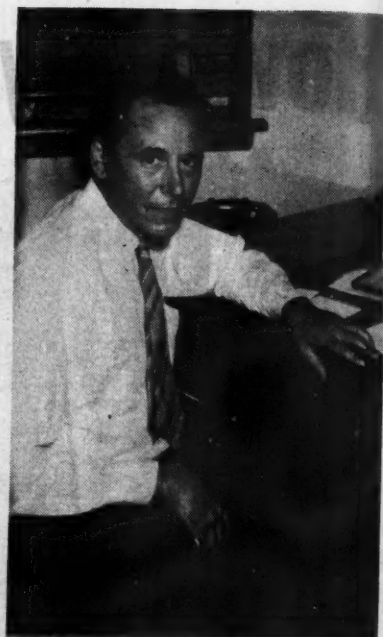
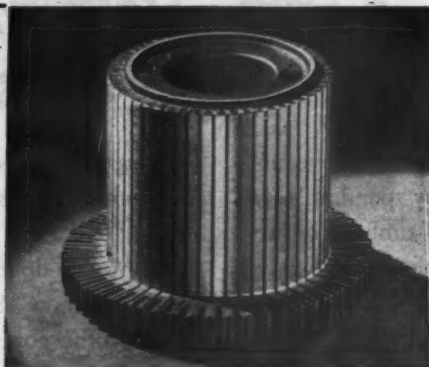
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## RESTRICTIONS ON CONDUIT, TUBING AND RACEWAYS REMOVED FROM L-225

Restrictions on the installation of electrical conduit, electrical metallic tubing and raceways have been removed from Order L-225, which was amended as announced by the War Production Board.

Formerly, installations were permitted only for specified end uses. Restrictions were imposed as a temporary measure to save critical materials. Their removal is now possible because the supply of the type of steel used in the manufacture of conduit, tubing and raceways has eased, WPB said.

The amount of metal (by weight) that may be used in the manufacture of this equipment is still limited by L-255 on the basis of the amount used in 1941. The order also retains provisions restricting sales by manufacturers and distributors to those with preference ratings of AA-5 or better. Manufacturers are still required to make monthly reports to WPB on sales and shipments.

## DIRECTIVES 8 AND 9 REVOKED

Emergency specifications controlling the design of structural steel and reinforced concrete for building construction during the present war have been revoked, the War Production Board has announced. The revocation became effective October 4.

Directive 8, controlling National Emergency Specifications for the design of structural steel for buildings, and Directive 9, controlling National Emergency Spec-



fications for the design of reinforced concrete, were issued to control the scarce supply of steel and large building programs in the early days of the war. These conditions no longer prevail, WPB said, and revocation of these directives should clear up uncertainties in the minds of architects and engineers as to the extent of governmental controls in construction materials during the postwar period, WPB explained.

Directive 29, embodying the National Emergency Specifications covering the design and fabrication of stress grade lumber and its fastenings for buildings, will remain effective because of the present scarcity of lumber, WPB said.

### CMPR 9-A CLARIFIED BY WPB

The War Production Board clarified the provision covering the amount of copper wire and cable that electricians, electrical contractors and repairmen of domestic appliances; radios, and refrigerators are permitted to purchase under provisions of Controlled Materials Regulation 9-A.

Considerable misunderstanding has existed among repairmen and wholesalers about these provisions and has resulted in the sale of a great more copper wire and cable for repair purposes than was intended, WPB officials said.

Under no condition, officials emphasized, should any repairman buy or any wholesaler sell any copper wire or cable for electrical conduction under the provision of CMP Regulation 9-A, which permits repairmen covered by the regulation to purchase each quarter a total of 500 pounds of copper and copper base alloy brass mill and foundry products. It is not intended that wire mill copper products, including wire and cable (bare, insulated, armored, and copper-clad steel) for electrical conduction be purchased under the 500 pound classification.

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CMP Regulation 9-A does, however, permit certain repairmen to purchase \$150 worth of copper wire and cable each quarter or one-eighth of what the purchaser used in making repairs in 1941 (figured as accurately as possible in dollar value), whichever is more. Only refrigeration, radio, and domestic appliance repairmen and electricians and electrical contractors are eligible, however, officials explained.

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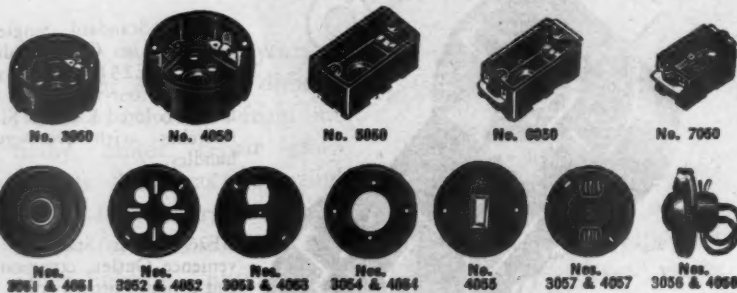
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### NECA ENDORSES NPA INCOME TAX PROGRAM

The National Electrical Contractors Association, by resolution at its 43rd Annual Meeting at French Lick Springs Hotel, October 1-6, endorsed the following four specific recommendations of the National Planning Association with respect to taxation of corporate income for the transition period:

1. *War Tax Settlement Proposal:* After partial victory has been won, with the cessation of hostilities in either hemisphere, the due dates for federal income and excess profits taxes on earnings of the then current year and the unpaid portions of the similar taxes on profits of the preceding year should, at the option of the corporation, be deferred, subject to a 6 percent per annum interest penalty, to the due dates of the following year's taxes pending redetermination of liability under the loss and unused excess profits credit carry-back provisions of the tax law. If at the end of such following year, the corporation finds that it actually owes the taxes in whole or part, such liability should be consolidated with the liability of the third year and paid at the same time. In the event the taxes are ultimately found to be owing, the interest penalty should be charged for the period of deferment.

2. *Excess Profits Tax Elimination:* After total victory has been won, with the cessation of hostilities in both hemispheres, the present excess profits tax should be eliminated. The elimination should be pro-rated, so that if the cessation occurs, say at the beginning of the tenth month of a taxable year, the excess profits tax will not be applicable to one-fourth of the corporation's profits for that taxable year.

3. *Capital Stock Tax Elimination:* On the cessation of hostilities in both hemispheres, both capital stock tax and the declared value excess profits tax should be eliminated.

4. *Normal and Surtax Reduction:* On the cessation of hostilities in both hemispheres, the normal corporate tax should be reduced from 24 percent to 16 percent and the surtax should be reduced from 16 percent to 8 percent leaving an aggregate tax on corporate income of 24 percent. At some later date the 24 percent



rate then applicable to corporate income should be further reduced, but the timing of further reduction should be determined in the light of the then existing economic situation. The first step in further reduction might be the elimination of the 8 percent surtax.

## CHICAGO EMSA HOLDS SECOND ANNUAL CONCLAVE

Based on the success of last years' general conference, the Electric Motor Service Association of Chicago, Central District Chapter, NISA, held its second annual conclave on October 10 with more than 65 shop men from Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana and surrounding area guests of the association.

A broad program, centered around the theme of reduction in shop production costs to meet postwar conditions in the motor service industry, got under way in early afternoon when more than forty of the guests visited seven local repair shops to glean and swap "shop kinks" and other time saving ideas. Shops visited were those of the Excel Electric Service Co.; Ther Electric and Machine Co.; Arthur Wagner Co.; Chicago Electric Co.; Hyre Electric Co.; Gregory Electric Co.; and Northwestern Electric Company. Subjects of interest on this tour included cleaning booths, repair and machine shop layouts, sandblasting, plastic molding, burnout ovens, dynamic balancers, zanderizing process (dipping, varnishing and drying), transformer winding machines and other interesting shop ideas.

Following the tours, the guests convened at the Electric Club dining room for dinner and the evening business session. Among the visiting NISA notables were R. B. Turner, Windsor, Ontario, Canada, vice-president, NISA; Charles C. French,



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St. Louis, Mo., immediate past-president, NISA; C. L. Harry, president, Wisconsin Chapter, NISA, Milwaukee; R. A. Sherer, Indianapolis, NISA Awards Committee.

Addressing the dinner meeting, Charles French, dispelled some of the fears of shop operators about their postwar future. Pointing out that it's service that keeps the independent business man going, he listed prompt repair service, spare and rental motors, and the willingness of shop operators to gamble their "know how" to help a customer out of a jam, as the salient advantages the independent motor dealer has to offer his clientele. Discussing the presentation of papers on shop operation to the national convention, Mr. French urged a policy of having such papers printed and distributed to various shop men before the meeting so prepared written discussions could accompany the presentation of the paper at the sessions. Such a policy would release constructive criticism and suggestions that would benefit all present, he contended.

Touching upon the subject of resale of electrical equipment by motor repair shops, R. B. Turner, outlined the normal conventional growth of the average motor repair shop which gradually gets into the "renewed" motor business and finally into the sale of new motors. Contending that such resale activity will keep the shop salesmen busy during slack periods in the repair department, he urged NISA to compile data on the appropriate resale lines, for the benefit of those shops who may want to enter this phase of the business.

Speaking in general terms, Arthur Wagner, Chicago, reiterated the fact that too many shop operators are too busy making a living to consider improvements in their own shops. He urged each man to return to his own shop with a critical eye toward making such needed improvements as will increase their production efficiency. J. Ferrari, Chicago, concurred that such a thorough inspection would more than pay for itself through the time and material savings affected by the improvements.

Taking up where they left off in the afternoon, the group again entered an "idea swap" period with more than a dozen different "shop kinks" being offered by the various members. The conclave concluded with the usual EMSA "for sale and wanted" session at which members were offered an opportunity to locate hard-to-get, much needed equipment.

### GENERAL REGULATION NO. 3

To help war contractors and Government contracting agencies settle terminated war contracts faster, regulations for pre-termination settlement agreements were recently announced by Robert H. Hinckley, Director of Contract Settlement. Through pre-termination, contracting agencies can make settlement agreements with war contractors in ad-





**THREE VIEWPOINTS** on postwar store lighting were presented at recent Technical Session, I.E.S. store lighting symposium in Chicago, by (L to R) Kenneth C. Welch, vice-president, Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co.; Nathaniel A. Owings, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, architects and engineers, Chicago; and R. J. Chapin, Supt. construction and maintenance, Marshall Field & Co., Chicago.

vance of the actual termination of contracts.

Details were covered under Regulation 3 issued by the Office of Contract Settlement with the approval of the advisory board composed of representatives of the War Department, Navy Department, Treasury Department, United States Maritime Commission, Foreign Economic Administration, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, War Production Board, Smaller War Plants Corporation, and the Attorney General.

"The purpose of General Regulation No. 3 is to clarify the right of the contracting agencies to make settlement agreements in advance of actual termination," Mr. Hinckley said. "These agreements may cover one or more of the elements that will be involved in termination claim. They are to be used when they will substantially facilitate settlements, plant clearance, reconversion to civilian production or the efficient use of materials, manpower and facilities, or will otherwise promote the objectives of the Contract Settlement Act of 1944.

"Experiments have now established that it is frequently possible to negotiate such agreements with contractors ahead of time. Where this can be done, it will result in great savings in the time required for the contractor to reconvert to peacetime work. It will thus greatly minimize the dislocation and unemployment that might otherwise result from contract termination.

"The Procurement Policy Board of War Production Board has had the subject under consideration for some time, and has now recommended to the Director of Contract Settlement, as has the Contract Settlement Advisory Board, that pre-termination settlement agreements be used as widely as possible. The War Department has had some experience in negotiating agreements of this type, particularly in the textile field, and in some phases of ordinance production. These experiments indicate the great desirability of agreeing beforehand, where sufficient data is

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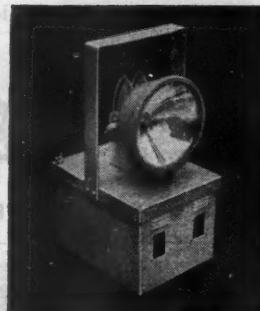
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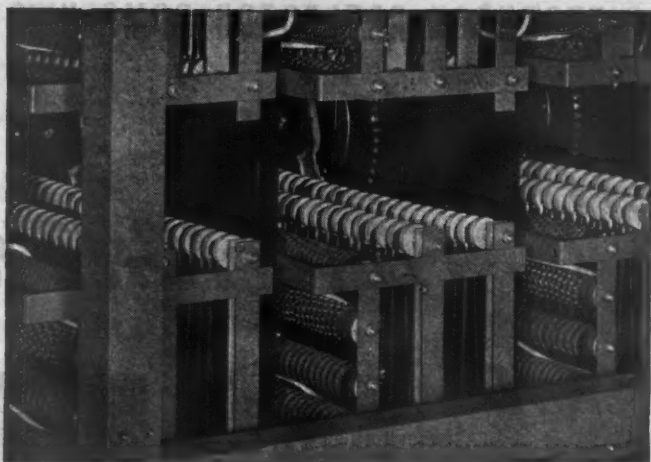


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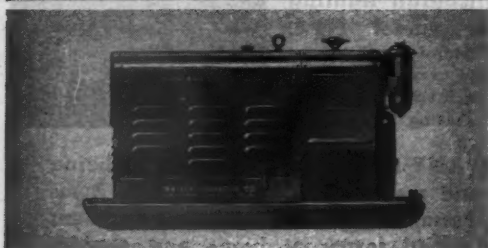
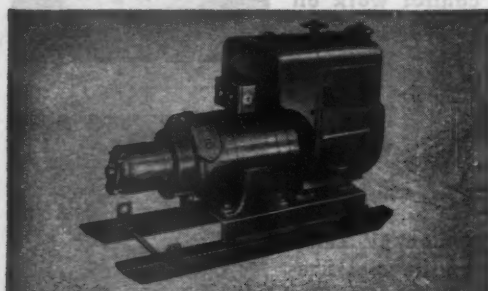


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available to permit reasonable forecasts on a sound commercial basis, on items such as the unit cost of the inventory which the contractor will have on hand at various stages of manufacture, whether this inventory is to be scrapped, taken over by the Government, or retained by the contractor, and the prices which should apply if the contractor plans to keep it.

"To the extent that the contractor agrees to retain inventory or work in process, these agreements will materially reduce the amount of surplus which comes into the Government's hands for ultimate disposition. They will also permit the contractor to plan his peacetime production on an assured basis and avoid temporarily shutting down his production lines, as he might have to do if a similar agreement with the Government had to be negotiated after he received his termination notice.

"Where the amounts involved are small and detailed calculations would not be worthwhile, it will frequently be possible to agree with the contractor on a lump sum payment in complete settlement of his claim under the terminated contract. This may even be possible in a limited class of cases involving larger amounts where unusually reliable data are available."

## MINNESOTA ELECTRICAL COUNCIL APPROVES SERVICE PROGRAM

A broad program of membership service activities was carefully reviewed and approved at a recent mid-year meeting of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Electrical Council, Inc., Minneapolis. Among the service features of the proposed program are:

1. A membership campaign.
2. The preparation of a special bulletin on a program of preparation for the reconversion and postwar periods.
3. A store and shop planning service including designs of modern store display fixtures to provide member stores with an attractive highspeed "sales appeal."
4. A special advertising program designed to fit the advertising budget of all members along the following lines: (1) Institutional copy telling purchasers of the background, knowledge, experience, service, and equipment of competent electrical dealers; (2) product advertising designed to develop business on appliances, lighting—commercial and residential; wiring, electric farm equipment, etc.; and (3) mailing pieces to promote business and services of members of the Council.

Considerable doubt was raised as to the prospect of obtaining a statewide electrical inspection law. Under study at present is the Youngstown, Ohio Plan which incorporates an independent rating or inspection bureau, organized and managed by all branches of the electric industry, conducted as a non-profit enterprise and recognized by the utilities and Public Service Commission of Ohio.

A Sales Control Ordinance, which would regulate and prohibit the sale of electrical equipment, lamps, toys and other



appliances which were unapproved and hazardous to life and property was also discussed in detail. The council Board suggested that members desiring to promote such ordinances in their local communities secure copies of the N.E.M.A. model sales control ordinance from the Council headquarters.

The final action of the Board meeting was a statement on Cold Cathode fluorescent lighting. Recognizing the possibility of installations being made without compliance with state and local regulations the Council Board adopted the following statement: "It is the opinion of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Electrical Council that Cold Cathode Fluorescent or Neon type lighting equipment should be installed by skilled licensed electricians with special attention to safety requirements for operating voltage in excess of 230 volts".

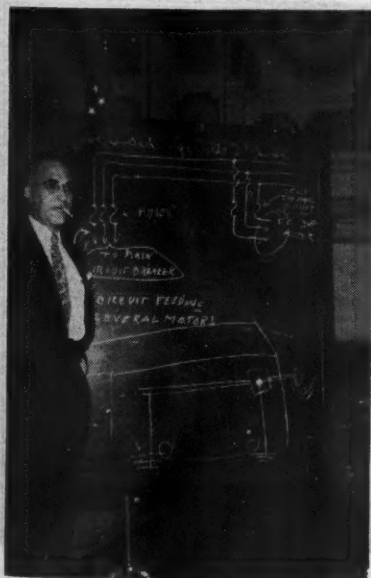
### INCREASED ELECTRIC WATER HEATER PRODUCTION AUTHORIZED

Additional material has been authorized to increase fourth-quarter production of electric water heaters for civilian use from 12,500, as originally approved, to 30,000, the War Production Office of Civilian Requirements has announced.

This increase is necessary because of the acute need for such equipment, WPB officials explained.

Production of electric water heaters for civilian use was resumed during the third quarter of 1944, beginning July 1, at the rate of 12,500 for the quarter. Prior to that time production for civilians had been prohibited except when it was found necessary to allow some production on an appeals basis.

Order L-185, controlling production of water heaters, will be amended soon to provide for the increase in production per-



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mitted by the additional allocation of material.

Production of electric water heaters for the armed services and for the National Housing Agency is not included in the 30,000, WPB explained.

## CONSERVATION ORDER L-41 AMENDED

Construction of certain utility buildings, formerly restricted by Conservation Order L-41 and by Utilities Orders U-1, U-3 and U-4, is now restricted only by the utilities orders, the War Production Board has reported.

The change was made by amendment to Order L-41, which eliminates such construction from restrictions of that order.

By utility construction is meant any building or group of buildings to be used directly in furnishing electric, gas, water, central steam heating or wire communications services (telephone or telegraph).

Formerly, all utility construction was controlled by Order L-41, with a \$1,000 allowable exemption for the construction of any single unit building or group of buildings without obtaining WPB approval.

Under the amended order, only sewage systems utility construction is retained in Order L-41, with a \$1,000 exemption allowed for any building or group of buildings that will be used directly for a sewage system and owned by a sewage system operator as defined in Order P-141.

## COPPER WIRE AND CABLE MAY BE EASED

Unless projected requirements for copper wire and cable are materially altered, the reduced military demands, after "Victory in Europe" Day, will permit copper wire and cable mill facilities to accept and deliver orders other than authorized controlled material orders in a pattern



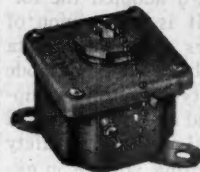
LEAGUE ACTIVITIES of the neighboring states of West Virginia and Ohio are being reviewed by (L to R) H. M. Silling, sec'y-treas. of the Electric League of Charleston and E. J. Beil, manager, the Electric League of Youngstown at recent I.A.E.L. conference in Detroit.

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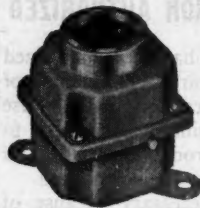
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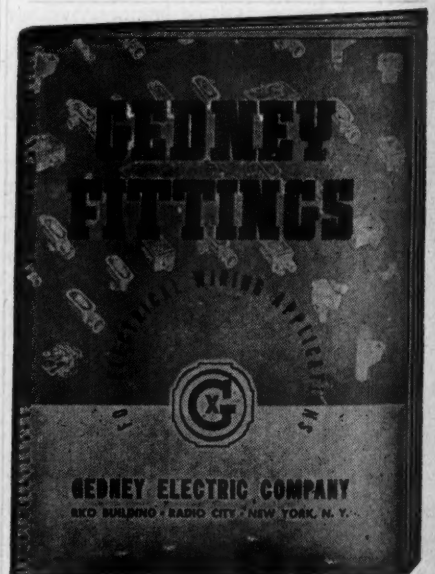


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and of a copper content approaching pre-war levels, the Copper Wire and Cable Industry Advisory Committee was informed at a recent meeting, the War Production Board has reported.

WPB plans elimination of all unnecessary governmental controls, reports and directions on cessation of European hostilities, officials said. Retention is intended only for those controls needed to insure fulfillment of military requirements for victory over Japan, it was emphasized.

Industrial members recommended that allocation of refined copper and directed production and distribution of intermediate shapes should be continued until victory is achieved over both Germany and Japan. The basis for this recommendation was the possibility that the supply of copper after "V-E" Day will be less than the amount needed to take care of military and civilian requirements. Allocation of the material would then assure all wire companies—independent and producer-controlled—of a fair share of the copper available for civilian use, industry members pointed out.

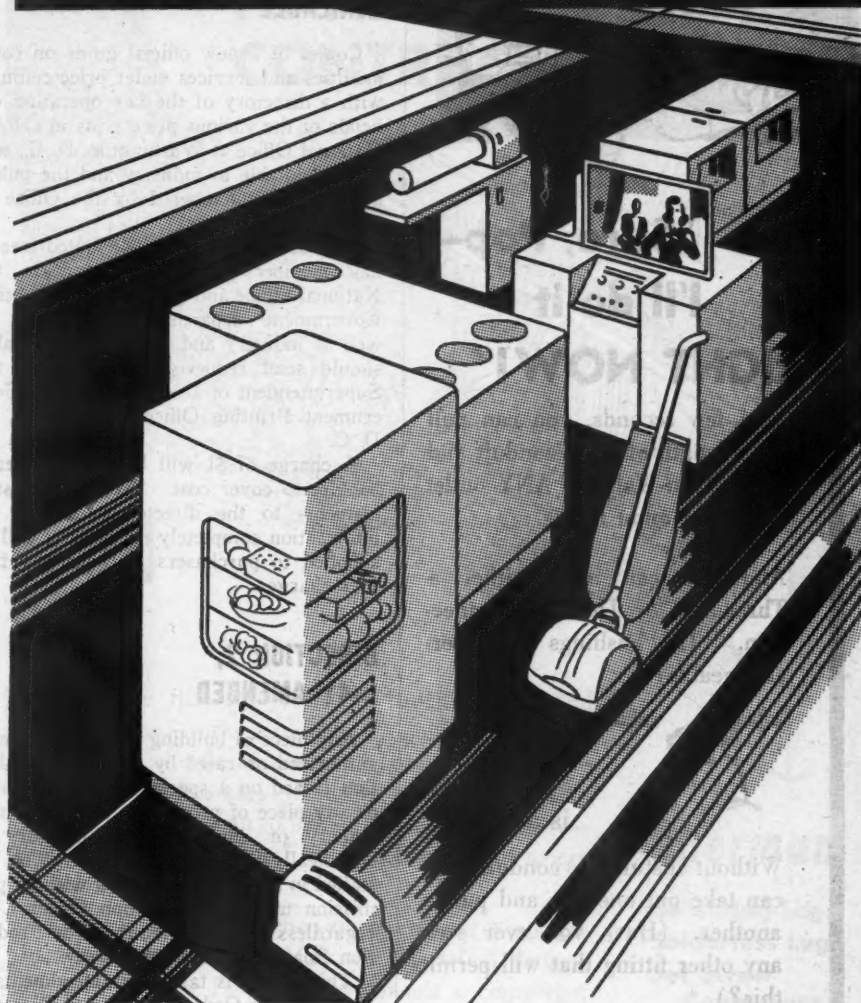
The pre-war pattern of orders for wire and cable consumed considerably more copper than present patterns of orders, a Government official said. However, manpower and manufacturing costs now considerably exceed the pre-war pattern.

Tin, crude rubber and certain chemicals used as components of copper wires and cables are still in tight supply and it is likely that strict control of these materials will continue after the defeat of Germany, a Copper Division representative said.

Removal of all restrictions on deliveries to and from warehouses of copper wire mill products, after "V-E" Day, is also contemplated, the industry was informed by WPB.

Production of copper wire and cable, with the exception of certain communica-

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tion wires, is at a level high enough to insure the completion of all military programs, and the progress made by the industry was most gratifying, Government representatives said.

## OPA GUIDE AVAILABLE

Copies of a new official guide on commodities and services under price ceilings, with a directory of the key operating officials of the various price units in OPA's National Office at Washington, D. C., was made available to industry and the public generally on October 1 by the Office of Price Administration.

This booklet is being distributed free to key members of OPA's staff in the National Office and in the field. All other Government departments interested as well as industry and the public generally, should send requests for copies to the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

A charge of \$1 will be made for each booklet to cover cost. Six monthly supplements to the directory, bringing its information completely up to date, will be supplied to purchasers, without any further charge.

## DIRECTION 2, L-41 AMENDED

Any piece of building service equipment authorized or rated by the War Production Board on a special application form, or any piece of processing or service machinery or equipment whether or not specifically approved, may now be installed in an existing building without permission under Conservation Order L-41, regardless of cost limits, the War Production Board has reported.

This action is taken by amendments to Conservation Order L-41 and to Direction 2 of the same order.

Direction 2, as amended, provides that it is not necessary to get WPB permission under L-41 to install or relocate in an existing building any piece of processing or service machinery or equipment regardless of the total cost of the job.



**OVER 30 YEARS** in the motor business is the record of Mrs. A. A. Fagan, owner of Fagan Electric Company, Little Rock, Arkansas. She and O. W. Waller (right) repair shop superintendent are carrying on in larger headquarters while her son Ellis serves in the U. S. Army Air Corps.

Processing machinery or equipment is machinery or equipment used for the manufacture, processing or fabricating of materials or products. Service machinery or equipment is defined as equipment used in a building by means of which a particular service is rendered in the building; for example, X-ray equipment in a hospital, projector or screen equipment in a theatre, cold storage enclosures of coolers in a store or commercial establishment.

The direction also permits the installation of building service equipment, such as plumbing, heating, lighting, air-conditioning equipment, elevators or escalators, regardless of the total cost of the job, if the equipment has been authorized or rated on a WPB special application form.

In addition, building alterations required in connection with the installation may be made, but no new buildings or additions to existing buildings may be constructed, WPB stressed. Materials required for the installation or necessary alterations may be obtained under Direction 15 to Controlled Materials Plan Regulation No. 5, which was recently amended to give, to persons not specified



**CROSS COUNTRY** electrical league officers at the I.A.E.L. Detroit conference included (L to R) Ralph Neumuller, executive vice-president, Electrical & Gas Association of New York, Inc.; Denny Shaler, manager, Electric League of Western Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh; and H. P. Wilson, sec'y-mgr., Electrical Institute of the Tri-Cities, Rock Island, Illinois.



on Schedule A of that regulation, preference ratings and allotment symbols for the limited acquisition of such materials.

Formerly under Direction 2 to Order L-41, machinery or equipment installations without WPB approval were limited to \$25,000, and relocations were not permitted if the cost of materials necessary to install a single piece or a group of pieces of machinery or equipment exceeded \$500. These restrictions are now eliminated, as is the former restriction against the installation of any machinery or piece of equipment to be used for the manufacture of items the production of which is prohibited by any WPB order.

The exception from Order L-41 given by these amendments do not eliminate the restrictions of other WPB orders, which may require special authorization to buy or install other kinds of equipment, WPB officials emphasized.



**LEE R. McCULLOUGH**, executive director, Metal Fabricators' Institute, Chicago, and former regional director, Priorities Div., WPB and OCR, tells the Cook County Electrical Contractors Association that manpower is the dominant bottleneck in the reconversion program.

## MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS MEET

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Electrical Contractors Association on October 5, it was decided to ask manufacturers of electrical merchandise to include in all their advertising and publicity a message or phrase urging all installations to be made by licensed or certified master electricians. The Safety Committee headed by Fred Fontana is also working out a plan of cooperation with the insurance companies.

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## REGULATIONS

### QUIZ

Some of the most common questions pertaining to W.P.B. regulations on the manufacture, distribution and installation of lighting equipment are the following according to the Lighting and Fixtures Section of the Building Materials Div.

**Q. What is a blanket MRO rating?**

**A.** A blanket MRO rating means a rating assigned by CMP Regulation 5 or 5A, or by any other War Production Board regulation, order, (including an order in the "P" series), form or certificate which assigns a rating for maintenance, repair or operating supplies without specifying the kind and quantity of the material to which the rating may be applied. Where the quantity of material is specified in terms of dollar value only, the rating is a blanket MRO rating.

**Q. What has blanket MRO ratings AA-1 and AA-2?**

**A.** CMP Regulation 5 and 5A list industries and business activities in Schedules I and II. Those industries or business activities listed under Schedule I may use blanket MRO-rating AA-1. Those listed in Schedule II may use blanket MRO rating AA-2. All other businesses may use blanket MRO rating AA-5.

Blanket MRO ratings AA-1 and AA-2 only are valid for use in purchasing fluorescent or incandescent lighting fixtures as maintenance, repair or operating supplies or as minor capital additions, as explained in CMP Reg. 5 and 5A.

**Q. What ratings other than blanket MRO ratings are valid for sale or delivery of incandescent or fluorescent lighting fixtures?**

**A.** Fluorescent or incandescent lighting fixtures may be sold or delivered on any preference rating which has been assigned pursuant to application made on Forms WPB-541, WPB-542, WPB-547 or WPB-617.

**Q. Can an electrical repairman use the preference rating and allotment symbol assigned to him by CMP Reg. 9A to purchase**

**chase (1) an incandescent lighting fixture, or (2) a fluorescent lighting fixture?**

**A. (1)** The preference rating of AA-3 and allotment symbol V-3 may not be used by a repairman to purchase a complete incandescent lighting fixture, but may be used to purchase a component part of an incandescent lighting fixture which part is to be used in repairing a damaged fixture.

**(2)** The preference rating of AA-3 and allotment symbol V-3 may not be used by a repairman to purchase a complete fluorescent lighting fixture or part. However, parts needed for repair of an existing fluorescent lighting fixture may be purchased without a rating.

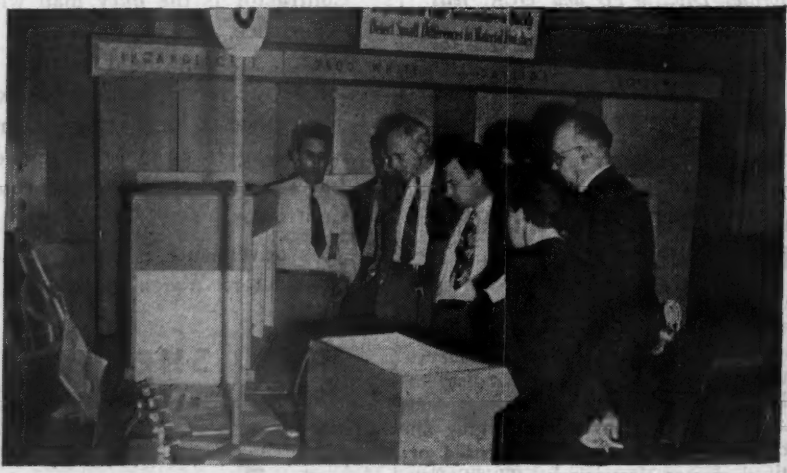
**Q. Can an electrical wholesaler or dealer assemble lighting fixtures?**

**A. Yes.** However, it is necessary for him to apply on Form CMP-4B as a manufacturer for an allotment of controlled materials as a separate business enterprise. He may then apply the CMP allotment symbol and preference rating assigned to him to his orders for components, and fill such orders from his stock. He may not use materials or components obtained through the use of ratings assigned to him on WPB-547 applications without CMP authorization. Materials obtained for stock with WPB-547 preference rating must be sold in the form in which they are purchased. The same is true for an allotment of copper wire purchased for resale.

**Q. Can a fluorescent "kitchen unit" which attaches to a four inch or six inch fitter (incandescent fixture) and which is equipped with a cord and plug be (1) manufactured, (2) sold?**

**A.** The term "kitchen unit" is not used in Order L-78. It is understood that a "kitchen unit" means a fluorescent lighting fixture employing one, two, three or four 20 watt tubes in which the fixture is sometimes designed to be attached to a four inch or six inch incandescent enclosing glass globe holder, and may also be equipped with a cord and plug for the purpose of making electrical connection to an incandescent fixture.

**(1)** Order L-78 prohibits the manufac-



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ture and assembly of any fluorescent lighting fixture designed for one or more hot cathode tubes, rated 30 watts each or less, except industrial portable or industrial attachable type fixtures as defined in Order L-78. Therefore, kitchen units may not be manufactured.

(2) Yes, on rated orders only, or on authorization by the War Production Board to sell on unrated orders when the units have been held in inventory since June 2, 1942.

## DATES AHEAD

Utah Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, Auditorium of Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City, Utah, November 7.  
George Washington Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, District Building, Washington, D. C., November 13.  
Association of Electrical Construction Engineers—Regular meeting, 2 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., November 13.  
Rocky Mountain Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, Denver, Colo., November 14.  
Roger Williams Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, Providence, R. I., Nov. 15.  
Electrical and Gas Association of New York, Inc.—Lecture Course on "Electronic Applications in Industry," 480 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y., November 16.  
Electrical Institute of the Tri-Cities—Auditorium, Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric Co., Rock Island, Ill., November 16.  
Electrical & Gas Association of N. Y.—Thanksgiving Luncheon, Hotel Astor, New York, November 22.  
Southern California Chapter IAEI—Pasadena, Calif., November 22.  
Manufacturers of Illumination Products, Inc.—Joint Conference Committee, 545 Fifth Ave., New York, November 28.  
Electrical and Gas Association of New York, Inc.—Lecture Course on "Electronic Applications in Industry," 480 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y., November 30.  
Electrical Institute of the Tri-Cities—Davenport Chamber of Commerce, Davenport, Iowa, November 30.  
Utah Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, December 5.  
American Institute of Consulting Engineers—Luncheon and Council Meeting, City Midway Club, New York, N. Y., December 6.  
Electrical and Gas Association of New York, Inc.—Lecture course on "Electronic Applications in Industry," 480 Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y., December 7.  
Association of Electrical Construction Engineers—Regular meeting, 2 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y., December 11.  
George Washington Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, District Building, Washington, D. C., December 11.  
Rocky Mountain Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting, Denver, Colo., December 12.  
Independent Electrical Contractors Association, Inc.—Headquarters of Electrical & Gas Association, 480 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y., December 13.  
Electrical Institute of the Tri-Cities—Auditorium, Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric Co., Rock Island, Ill., December 14.  
Electrical and Gas Association of New York, Inc.—Christmas luncheon, Grand Ballroom, Hotel Astor, New York, N. Y., December 20.  
Roger Williams Chapter IAEI—Monthly meeting Providence, R. I., December 20.  
Kentucky Chapter IAEI—Louisville, Ky., January 11 and 12, 1945.  
American Institute of Electrical Engineers—Technical Meeting, Engineering Societies Building, New York, N. Y., January 22-26, 1945.  
Indiana Chapter IAEI—Antlers Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., February 1-2, 1945.  
National Electrical Manufacturers Assn.—Spring Conference, Palmer House, Chicago, Ill., April 16-19, 1945.  
Electrical Committee, N.E.P.A.—Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill., Week of May 14, 1945.  
American Institute of Electrical Engineers—Summer Technical Meeting, Hotel Statler, Detroit, Mich., June 25-29, 1945.  
International Lighting Exposition—Palmer House, Chicago, Ill., April 19-23, 1945.  
National Electrical Wholesalers Assn.—Spring meeting, April 23-25, 1945.

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# MANUFACTURERS NEWS

## GRAYBAR APPOINTMENTS

Graybar Electric Company announces the appointment of J. D. Daly as supply sales manager at executive headquarters in New York City. Since 1935 he has been commercial manager for Graybar at the Hartford, Conn. branch office and warehouse. His duties as supply sales manager for Graybar will include the planning of sales for all types of wiring supplies used for inside electrical construction.

L. B. Westfall has been named Ohio Valley district manager with headquarters in Cincinnati. In addition to heading up the Cincinnati office and warehouse operations, he will have jurisdiction over Graybar offices and warehouses in Nashville, Tenn., Columbus and Dayton, Ohio, and Louisville, Ky.

C. E. Furber has taken over the duties of manager of the Graybar office and warehouse in Columbus.

On November 15, R. W. Kimberlin will become Mississippi Valley district manager of Graybar with headquarters in St. Louis and will have jurisdiction over the Graybar office and warehouse in Memphis, Tenn. as well as those in St. Louis.

G. T. Marchmont has taken over the duties of Southwestern District Manager for Graybar with headquarters in Dallas. Mr. Marchmont replaces M. A. Buehler who is retiring on a service pension.

Effective November 15, W. E. Henges will take over the duties of Erie District Manager in Cleveland, replacing A. L. Perry who is retiring on a service pension.

A. D. Hammond has been appointed southern district manager for Graybar with headquarters in Atlanta. The territory under Mr. Hammond's jurisdiction will include the Graybar offices and warehouses at Birmingham, Ala., Columbia, S. C., Knoxville and Chattanooga, Tenn.

J. P. Wear, Jr. has taken over the duties of Graybar district merchandising manager with headquarters in Philadelphia.

V. K. Stafford has been appointed merchandising manager in Detroit, replacing J. P. Wear, Jr., who has been moved to Philadelphia.

## G-E CHANGES

Major changes in the General Electric Company's home appliance and construction material sales organization have been announced by H. L. Andrews, vice president of the company.

C. R. Pritchard has been appointed to the newly-created position of general sales manager of the G-E appliance and merchandise department, and will be responsible for all sales and sales policies of appliances and construction materials, responsible to the vice president. Other appointments placed A. M. Sweeney in the position of manager of sales of all



C. R. PRITCHARD

major appliances, and C. W. Theelen in the post of manager of sales of all traffic appliances and vacuum cleaners. Both will be responsible to Mr. Pritchard, as will J. H. Crawford, who continues as manager of sales of G-E construction materials. A. C. Sanger, appliance sales manager for the past year, has resigned.

A. L. Scaife has been appointed merchandising manager for the entire appliance and merchandise department, and will also be responsible to Mr. Pritchard. L. H. Miller immediately becomes manager of the household refrigerator division, and C. J. Enderle manager of the company's electric sink and cabinet division.

The traffic appliance divisions are separated into heating device and fan divisions and the clock division. The engineering, manufacture and sales of sunlamps, heat lamp, heating pads and electric heaters of the plug-in type were transferred from the heating device and fan divisions to the pioneer products division.

M. B. Ross, formerly sales manager of the traffic appliance divisions, was made manager of the heating device and fan divisions. R. O. Fickes, formerly in traffic appliance sales, was appointed to the post of manager of the clock division. Other announcements included the appointments of George E. Mullin, Jr., as sales manager for the electric sink and cabinet division, R. E. Boian, sales manager of heating devices, and C. R. Thorson, sales manager of clocks.

## WESTINGHOUSE SUPPLY CHANGES

William B. Meek has been appointed manager of the new branch office of the Westinghouse Electric & Supply Company, New Orleans, La. This territory was formerly served by the Monroe Hardware Company, a Westinghouse agent-jobber, located at Monroe, La. and New Orleans. The new office has been established at 420 South Peters Street.

The appointment of A. C. Kacher as manager of the Minneapolis, Minn. branch of the Westinghouse Electric Sup-



ply Company has been announced. Mr. Kacher joined the organization in October, 1921 and since 1929 he has been an apparatus and supplies salesman in Minneapolis, Minn.

Russell N. Chapman has been named apparatus and supply manager of the New England District, with offices in Boston, Mass. Mr. Chapman was transferred to his present position from that of manager of the Westinghouse Electric Supply Company, Marine Department, in Boston.

## ROEBLING ELECTIONS

Charles Roebling Tyson has been elected president of the John A. Roebling's Sons Company of Trenton and Roebling, N. J. Mr. Tyson succeeds the late William A. Anderson, who died on September 10, 1944.

Lt. Joseph M. Roebling, now serving abroad with the United States Army Air



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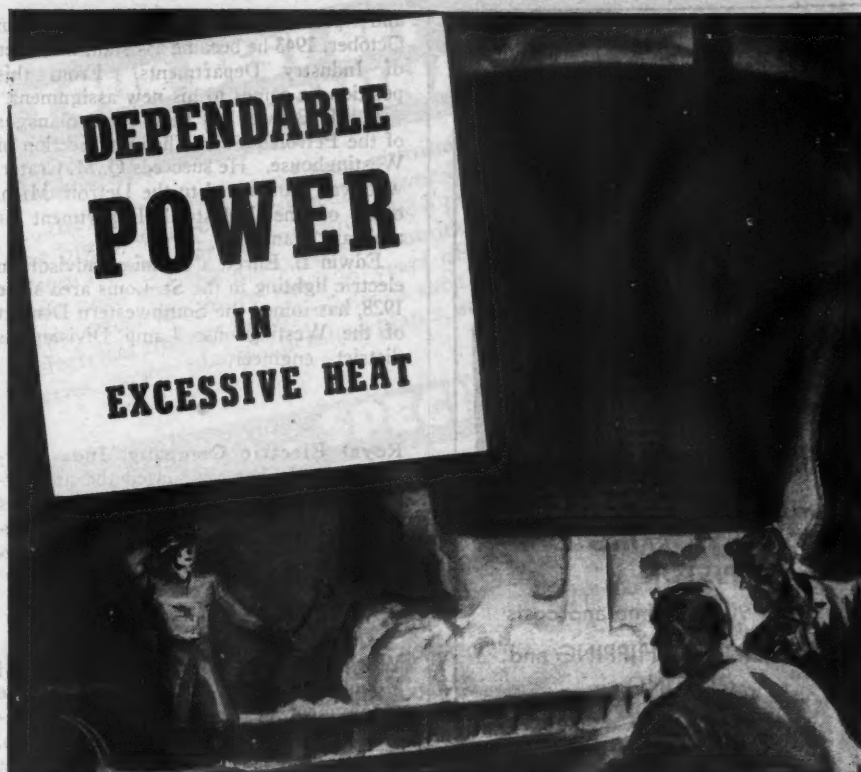
Corps, was elected chairman of the board of directors of the company. Other officers elected were Archibald W. Brown, as treasurer, and H. D. Rathbun, as secretary and assistant treasurer.

## WESTINGHOUSE APPOINTMENT

J. H. Jewell has been appointed manager of the Industry Departments of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company. Mr. Jewell has been a member of the Westinghouse organization since 1920. He has held various posts and in 1940 was made manager of the Agency



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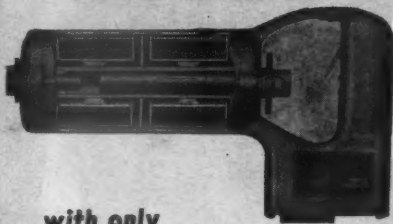


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and Specialties Sales Department and in October, 1943 he became assistant manager of Industry Departments. From this position he comes to his new assignment.

B. M. Brown has been made manager of the Petroleum and Chemical Section of Westinghouse. He succeeds Q. M. Crater, who was transferred to the Detroit, Mich. office of the Industrial Department as assistant manager.

Edwin L. Ehret, a technical advisor on electric lighting in the St. Louis area since 1928, has joined the Southwestern District of the Westinghouse Lamp Division as district engineer.

Royal Electric Company, Inc., Pawtucket, R. I., has announced the appointment of M. C. Carroll, as general sales manager. Mr. Carroll was formerly vice-president and sales manager of Chase-Shawmut Company.

Ward Leonard Electric Company of Mount Vernon, N. Y. has announced the appointment of Ken Hathaway as manager of their Radio Distributor Division. He will establish headquarters at 53 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wis., has announced the appointment of W. A. Meyer as manager of dealer sales. He succeeds S. H. Gorham, who has resigned.

The Sound Equipment Corporation of California, has announced the appointment of Howard M. Irwin as sales and advertising manager. Mr. Irwin, originally from Chicago, has been in Pacific Coast advertising and retail circles for the past 18 years. The company has recently moved from Hollywood to a new building at 3903 San Fernando Road, Glendale 4, Calif.

Copperweld Steel Company, Glassport, Pa. announces the appointment of Rolf Selquist as consulting engineer. He has been with the Copperweld organization since 1928 as electrical engineer.

General Controls Company of Glendale, Calif. have announced the opening of a new Kansas City Branch at 421 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City 8, Mo. with Robert Courtney in charge as branch manager.

Allied Radio Corporation, Chicago, have been appointed exclusive midwestern distributors for Creative Plastics Corporation, manufacturers of terminal strips, bushings, specialized products and the new Creative insulating grommet.

## NECA Conference Report

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versity and the numerous schools held in individual cities. Touching upon the wholesaler problem, he expressed his doubts of education being the sole solution. Continuing, he cited the utility industry for its cooperative attitude in many localities and his belief in honest cooperation as a basis on which our industry must proceed. Concluding he stated that Labor is not interested in annual employment; it is interested in annual earnings as a just compensation for its contribution to the industry.

Presenting an informal report of the NECA-IBEW Postwar Planning Committee, M. H. Hedges, Director of Research, IBEW, revealed that a sound theoretical groundwork of a program has been laid; that the job now is one of implementation and that the Committee should be one of research and analyses, reporting where failures are being made. Urging more integration in the electrical industry, he discussed the question of full employment and revealed that a practical engineering plan has been evolved by which contractors and the Union can work out an annual wage scheme where economically feasible. Two important cities have already adopted the plan, he added, revealing that every leading library in the country has on file the reports of this Postwar Planning Committee.

Citing experts' contentions that a year's construction cannot be increased more than 50 percent above that of the previous year, he predicted a volume of five billions the first year after the war and ten billions the third post-war year—compared to a necessary business volume of 18 billions annually under the postwar economic picture. Unless full employment is planned now, civil strife may ensue when the soldiers return and the question of seniority and job preference take the lead, he concluded.

Revealing that the government will end the war with about 100 billion dollars in outstanding contracts to be terminated and that all conversion hinges on speed and equity of war contracts disputes (after last war average length of settling claims was 3½ years; average payment 12½ cents on the dollar), Paul Fitzpatrick, Administrative Vice-President, American Arbitration Association, outlined the need for arbitration in the settlement of war contracts.



Citing the previous lack of any definite means of arbitrating contracts among the various government and service agencies, he commended the U. S. Senate for its foresight in developing the Contract Settlement Act which became law July 1, 1944, and establishes a uniform settlement procedure for cancelled war contracts for all government war procurement agencies. Discussing the provisions and procedure of the Act in detail, he hailed it as an outstanding contribution to quick conversion, elimination of serious unemployment, and the development of a healthy postwar business position.

E. E. Hedler, manager, Philadelphia Chapter, NECA, outlined to the delegates the Philadelphia Program for Promotion of Industrial and Commercial Business. Commenting on the co-operative spirit of the electric industry in Philadelphia, he outlined the growth of the Electric Association, its active participation in the industry, the lecture and electronics courses set up for contractors and their personnel, the utility policy of having some of their work done by contractors and boosting the contractors in their advertising. He then presented in chart form the series of advertisements the Electrical Constructors of Philadelphia (contractor group) are running in the Chamber of Commerce Magazine and local newspapers—all part of a carefully calculated promotional program directed to a specialized list of prospects.

At the Annual Meeting of the IBEW Employers Section, Paul M. Geary, in his report on labor relations cautioned NECA members against becoming members of general contractors associations, reiterating the basic fact that electrical contracting is a separate entity and should be maintained as such. On the subject of overtime compensation, he urged compliance with NECA and IBEW recommendations that time and one-half be used for the duration regardless of local agreements.

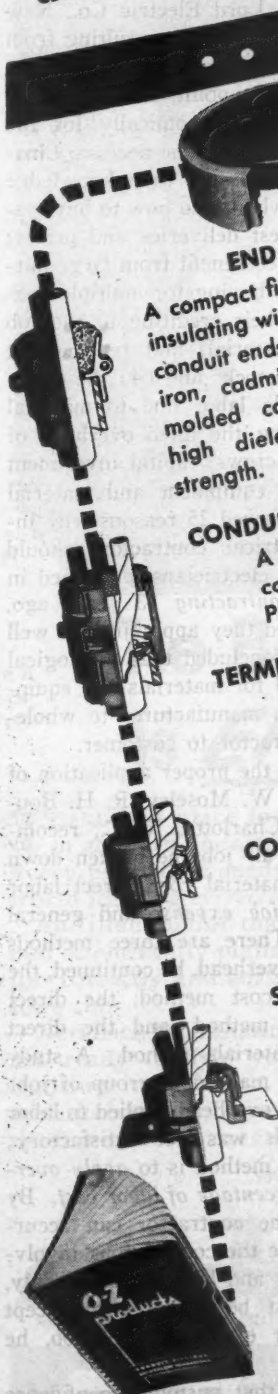
Mr. Geary reported no success in getting the government to sublet electrical work in the shipbuilding industry despite the support of WPB and some Congressmen. Despite the fact that shipbuilding authorities admit contractors can do the work more economically, they argue that the contractor's higher wage rate (marine ceiling \$1.20 per hour) presents an unstabilizing influence. Some agencies permit contractors to do this work where local agreements establish a marine rate separately.

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## NECA Conference Report

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### THURSDAY

The final conference session was devoted to a discussion of contractor problems and the transaction of association business.

Stating that too many contractors are willing to become labor padrones, F. W. Lord, Lord Electric Co., New York, outlined the evils resulting from direct buying by the owner. From the construction viewpoint contractors can do work more economically for the owner by furnishing the necessary materials because of (1) their knowledge of knowing where and how to buy materials for best deliveries and prices; (2) their price benefit from large purchases due to buying for multiple contracts; (3) their crediting to the job of unused materials and replacement in their own stock; and (4) the elimination of idle labor due to material delays. Citing the fixed overhead of maintenance crews, capital investment in tools and equipment and material stock, he reviewed 25 reasons why industrial electrical contractors should replace plant electricians, published in *Electrical Contracting* 13 years ago, and contended they apply just as well today. He concluded that the logical trade channel for materials and equipment is from manufacturer to wholesaler to contractor to customer.

Discussing the proper application of overhead, C. W. Moseley, R. H. Bouligny, Inc., Charlotte, N. C., recommended that all jobs be broken down into direct material cost, direct labor cost, *direct job expense* and general overhead. There are three methods of applying overhead, he continued, the direct labor cost method, the direct labor hours method, and the direct labor and materials method. A study Mr. Moseley made of a group of jobs revealed that overhead applied to labor and materials was not satisfactory; that the best method is to *apply overhead as a percentage of labor cost*. By doing this the contractor can accurately estimate the cost of jobs involving materials and labor or labor only, and we must be prepared to accept contracts for either type of job, he concluded.

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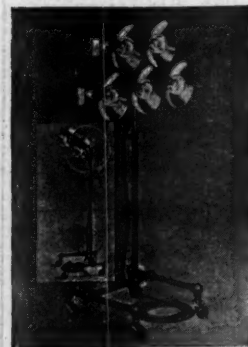
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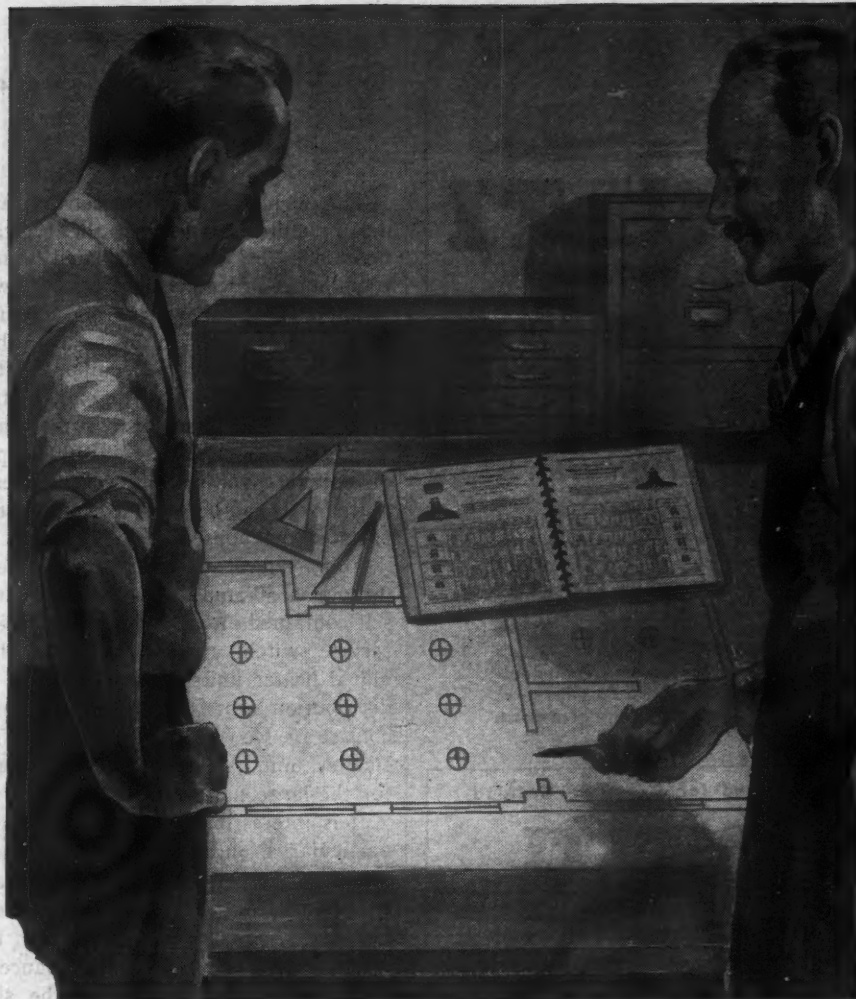
tion of electrical contractors in a paper written for the conference. Recognizing that State licensing and registration of architects and engineers has done much to raise the standards and stabilize those professions, Mr. Squire sees no reason why such registration of electrical contractors would not benefit the contractor and the electrical industry as a whole. Offering this as a suggested means of curing some of the ills of the electrical contracting industry, he urged that some action be taken to increase the stature and dignity of our profession.

In the final paper of the conference, A. Lincoln Bush, New York, reviewed the contractor's obligation to the public. We must eliminate the competitive spree, guard against lowering the standards of our business, sell the public on the economy and efficiency of contractors and support legislation for licensing and registering of contractors, he stated. Continuing, he reiterated the need for development of greater protection in the use of electricity, the sale and use of better equipment, proper labor relations, and the education of the public to the higher standards of electrical work. NECA must and will develop a policy of conduct and procedure to meet the new postwar conditions and retain the work of specialized contractors.

At the business portion of the session, six divisional vice-presidents were elected to comprise, with the president, the Administrative Committee of NECA. Those elected were: A. Lincoln Bush, New York (Div. 1); W. E. Frazer, Philadelphia (Div. 2); D. B. Clayton, Birmingham (Div. 3); J. N. Pierce, Chicago (Div. 4); Eugene Ashe, Fort Worth (Div. 5), and A. L. Stone, Los Angeles (Div. 6).

The conference adopted the Standards of the National Joint Apprenticeship Committee for the Electrical Industry as reported by Chairman Herzberg; approved the honorary membership conferred on Fred B. Adams; and approved resolutions calling for (1) the redistribution through regular trade channels of Code standard new surplus materials in original packages with the destruction of all used, salvaged and substandard new materials and the elimination of dumping of surplus materials on the market; and (2) a corporate income tax program for the transition period embodying a war tax settlement proposal, elimination of the excess profits and capital stock taxes and reduction in normal and surtaxes.

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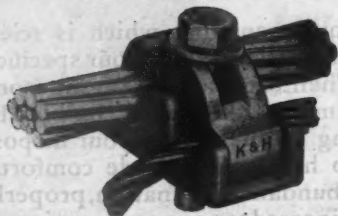
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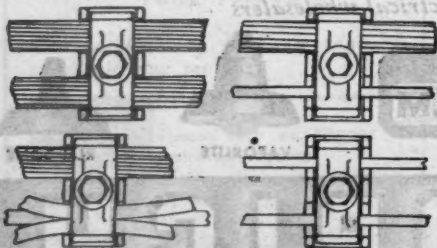
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## Heating Small Homes Electrically

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The wiring system for electric heating is quite simple. In the typical floor plan of a well insulated four-room house in Knoxville, Tenn., showing the electrical service and circuit requirements, the heaters are the radiant-convection type equipped with individual thermostats for automatic control and mounted flush in the wall structure (see photo). With this type of individual control, different temperature levels can be provided in various parts of the house—room by room.

This typical house was served through a 50-ampere, 240-volt, 3-wire self-contained meter and a 100-ampere service switch. Circuits for the individual heater units, emanating from a distribution center, are 230-volts and consist of No. 12 conductors for the smaller units and No. 10 conductors for the large units.

It is interesting to note that in this particular group of houses (4 four-room and 2 five-room) each house was equipped with an electric range, water heater and refrigerator in addition to lighting and miscellaneous appliances. The total connected load of the six houses was 162 kw., an average of 27 kw. per house. Over a two-year period the total annual current consumption for all purposes was 11,224 kwh. per house, of which 7,046 kwh. or 63 percent was for heating.

Another interesting study is that of load division on distribution transformers serving these houses. The group of six mentioned above (part of a subdivision of 52 houses all with electric heat) with a connected load of 162 kw. is being satisfactorily served by one 50-kva. transformer. The load for the 52 houses is divided among eight transformers resulting in an average of 6.96 transformer kva. per house.

There is the argument that electric house heating is a seasonal and therefore undesirable load from the standpoint of the power distribution industry. Summer air conditioning has been suggested as one means of improving the annual load factor. The use of reverse-cycle refrigeration for summer cooling and winter heating has also been suggested but this needs more study and improvement for application to the residential field. In the interim, a combination of space heaters and room cooling units may become the first step to all-year air conditioning.

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mercury reflectors hold one 3000 watt lamp. The incandescent reflectors are equipped with four sockets so wired that 115 volt lamps burning in series operate directly on the 460 volt distribution system. The lamps are of the arc resisting type which are so designed that on lamp failure the arc is quenched within the bulb. The sockets are mounted on adjustable supports so that various lamp sizes can be properly positioned in the reflectors. In the high bays 751 watt lamps are used and in the low bays 501 watt lamps are used.

The reflectors are mounted on either side of the cat-walks by means of a pair of bracket arms which are attached to the main channels of the cat-walk structure. The reflectors are adjustable and the brackets are equipped with stops so that the units can be tilted back to a servicing position and returned to their original setting. A clamp type locking device is also incorporated. Along a cat-walk the pairs are alternately filament and mercury. In the low bays the spacing between units is 15 feet and in the high bays the spacing is 7½ feet.

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that any other type of lighting system would have resulted in an initial investment many times the expenditure for the one which is installed.

The quality of illumination produced is all that could have been anticipated. To the observer, the lighting on the ceiling is quite uniform, although in the small bays, because the cat-walks are in fairly close proximity to the zenith of the arch and the light sources are on wider spacings, there is a slight variation in color from the alternate pairs of mercury and incandescent fixtures. However, this condition is not objectionable and, it may be added, is not particularly noticeable except to the critical observer. The ceiling brightness does not exceed 250 foot-lamberts. The distribution of light is excellent, producing a soft well-diffused illumination with a minimum of shadows.

When the installation was first put into service, illumination values were in the range of 45 to 50 foot-candles. Observations at the plant brought forth the realization that lower foot-candles of indirect lighting were preferable to higher foot-candles of direct lighting. This was proved in the few locations where local lighting was used. In spite of the fact that well-diffused, low brightness units were developed for the supplementary lighting, the high specularly of stainless steel surfaces made long period seeing conditions almost intolerable. Therefore it was believed that if 35 to 50 foot-candles of direct lighting was considered adequate for war production, then a somewhat lower level of totally indirect lighting would provide at least equivalent and probably better seeing conditions. Based on such information it was decided that certain sacrifices in foot-candles should be made in order to obtain desirable data and to effect additional economies in operating performance. The first step was to introduce 120 volt incandescent lamps in place of the 115 volt lamps which were originally installed. This change obtained about 50 percent longer average life for the filament sources while it also meant about 14 percent reduction in the lumen output of these sources. It should be noted, however, that the incandescent component represents only one-third of the total. Thus the loss in total lumens from this procedure was only about four percent.

The 3 k.w. mercury vapor lamp was such a recent development at the time the assembly plant was put into operation that little data on performance in the field was available. It was felt, however, that under the operating conditions on this job the 3 k.w. lamp



would have a life considerably in excess of its published rating of 2000 hours. It was also believed that its efficiency would be fairly satisfactory throughout most of the operating period. The only way to determine the useful life in active service was to make the second step which was the decision to keep the three k.w. lamps in operation until failure occurred. Accurate records of ten months of service show that these sources have been operating on an average of 15-18 hours daily or a total of approximately 5000 hours with only seven percent replacements for the entire period. The available data also shows that these lamps are producing about 75 percent of their initial rated lumens output after the 10 months of operation. The losses incurred in the execution of these procedures together with an estimated average depreciation of 10 percent in lumen output for the filament lamps results in a drop of approximately 23 percent in resultant illumination values. On the basis of initial utilization, with no depreciation, this would mean an expectancy of about 36 foot-candles.

Of course, there has been a depreciation from the initial efficiency of the overall system, which normally might be expected to reduce as much as 50 or 60 percent. However, the assembly operations performed in Budd Field are particularly clean. Also excellent housekeeping is required, especially in connection with the lighting system and the forethought in providing lighting cat-walks makes maintenance easy, safe and economical. Thus today the average illumination throughout the plant is approximately 30 foot-candles. This means a depreciation in utilization of about 20 percent which for an indirect lighting system, particularly in an industrial plant, is noteworthy.



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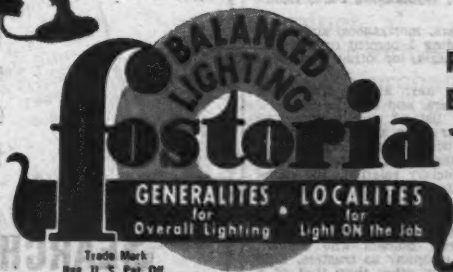
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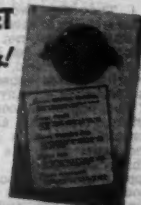
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## Modern Lighting

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(3) *Add for Taxes, Interest and Insurance*—an additional 10 percent of the initial investment.

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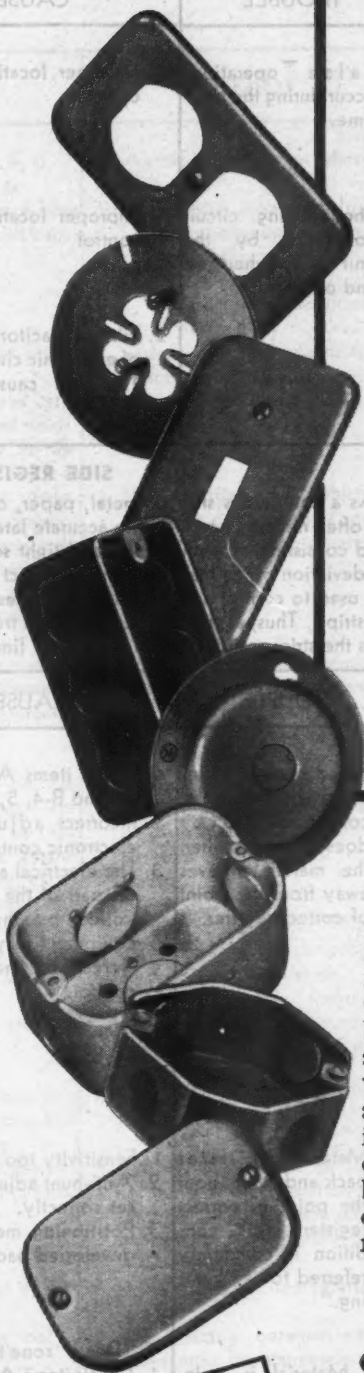
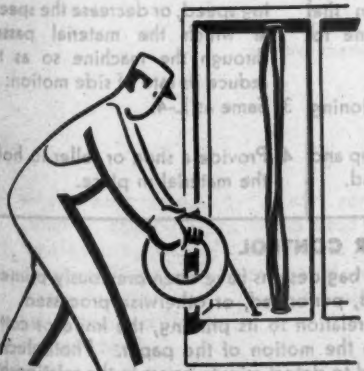
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b. *Cost of Electrical Energy*—exact energy costs can be determined based upon the hours of operation and cost per kilowatt hour. Include wattage consumed by auxiliaries in fluorescent and high intensity mercury lighting installations.

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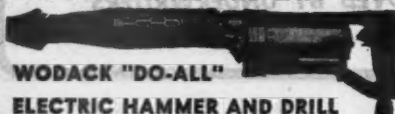
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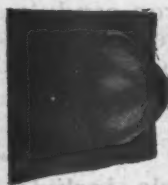
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TROUBLE	CAUSE	REMEDY
K. Entire control is inoperative, that is, the correction motor does not run when the material moves away from the point of correct register.	1. Check items A-3, 4, 6, 7, 10 and B-4, 5, 6. 2. Incorrect adjustment of electronic control. 3. The electrical and mechanical part of the system controlled by the electronic equipment may be at fault. 4. Defect in the electronic control.	1. As indicated in item referred to. 2. Adjust control in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. 3. Inspect all motors, generators, pushbutton stations, contactors, mechanical drives, etc., and make any necessary repairs. 4. By means of a cathode ray oscilloscope or other suitable instrument, try to determine the general location of the trouble, that is, whether it is in the scanning head, control panel, or other auxiliary control. Refer to article for service instructions.
L. Material oscillates back and forth about the point of correct register. This condition is commonly referred to as "hunting."	1. Sensitivity too high. 2. Anti-hunt adjustment is not set correctly. 3. Positioning mechanism has developed backlash.	1. Reduce sensitivity. 2. Adjust per manufacturer's instructions. 3. Such factors as loose mechanical linkages, play in gears, and loose couplings will produce hunting and reduce the accuracy which can be maintained. 4. Increase width of "dead" zone.
M. Material is maintained in approximate register, but is not being held to the accuracy which has previously been obtained.	1. Check items A-2, 3, 7, 10, and B-5, 6. 2. Rate at which material deviates from correct register may be greater than the ability of the machine to correct. 3. Backlash in positioning mechanism. 4. Material is fluttering up and down at scanning head.	1. As indicated in item referred to. 2. Change the positioning mechanism to provide greater correcting speed, or decrease the speed at which the material passes through the machine so as to reduce its rate of side motion. 3. Same as L-4. 4. Provide a shoe or roller to hold the material in place.

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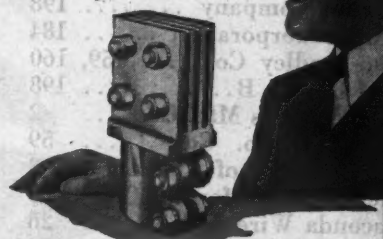
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between the cutter and the paper feed, and to supply a correcting signal to a mechanical device which makes the necessary correction. The signal for determining the error is obtained photoelectrically from register marks printed on the paper in a definite relationship to the wrapper or bag design.

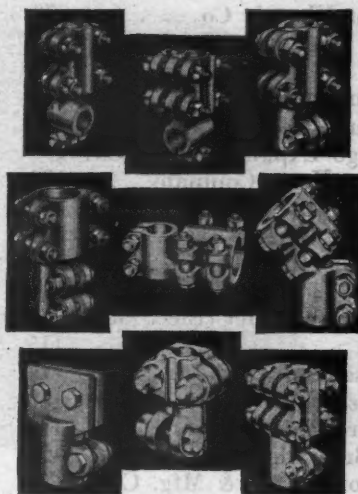
TROUBLE	CAUSE	REMEDY
N. The equipment does not correct for errors in register.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check items A-2, 4, 6, 7, 10, and B-3, 4, 5, 6.</li> <li>2. Register marks do not have sufficient contrast with background.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. As indicated in item referred to.</li> <li>2. (a) Provide greater color contrast between register mark and background. (b) Try a blue sensitive photo-tube if the red sensitive tube is being used.</li> </ol>
O. Material is being corrected by the control, but the correction does not seem to be adequate. It is continually going out of register in one direction.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Incorrect adjustment of the electronic control.</li> <li>2. Contactors or relays providing the space and velocity correction, may be defective.</li> <li>3. Incorrect change gears. This causes correction motor to have either a maximum or minimum base speed and thus the motor is able to provide correction in one direction only.</li> <li>4. Gear ratio between correcting motor and differential or other correcting mechanism is not correct.</li> <li>5. Excessive tension on material. This causes abnormal slippage in the feed rolls which is greater than the correcting capabilities of the machine.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust per manufacturer's instructions.</li> <li>2. Repair or readjust.</li> <li>3. Use change gears which will provide a paper feed of approximately 1 per cent greater than the length of cut.</li> <li>4. Correcting motor should be geared to provide between 2 and 3 per cent change in paper feed for variation in motor speed from zero to maximum.</li> <li>5. Reduce tension. For best operation tension on material should be maintained substantially constant regardless of roll diameter.</li> </ol>
P. Material is continuously being alternately advanced and retarded about the point of correct register.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Dead" zone of rotary selector switch is too narrow.</li> <li>2. Too much space correction is being applied.</li> <li>3. Register marks are not spaced accurately.</li> <li>4. Paper underneath scanning head may be fluttering and causing false signals.</li> <li>5. Printing adjacent to register marks may be causing false signals.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Widen "dead" zone. Refer to manufacturer's instructions.</li> <li>2. Reduce space correction. Refer to manufacturer's instructions.</li> <li>3. The printing cylinder must be provided with accurately spaced register marks.</li> <li>4. Provide a shoe to hold paper flat at this point.</li> <li>5. Register marks must be located so there is a separation of at least 2 inches between the marks and any printing in line with them.</li> </ol>
Q. Material is maintained to approximate register but is not being held to the accuracy which the machine is capable of holding.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check items A-2, 7, 10 and B-3, 5, 6.</li> <li>2. Register marks are not spaced accurately.</li> <li>3. Insufficient number of register marks.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. As indicated in item referred to.</li> <li>2. The spacing between register marks must be extremely accurate. Distance between marks must not vary more than 1/5 of the total accuracy which it is desired to maintain.</li> <li>3. If machine and electronic control are capable of providing good accuracy, then improved results will be obtained as the spacing between marks is decreased. A space of about 2 to 4 inches is practical.</li> </ol>
R. In two-way register control employing contactors, both thyatrons fire simultaneously when signal is received from scanning head.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Dead" zone of selector switch is too narrow, causing contacts to both thyatrons to be closed when corrective signal is received.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Widen "dead" zone by adjusting selector switch contacts in accordance with instructions.</li> </ol>

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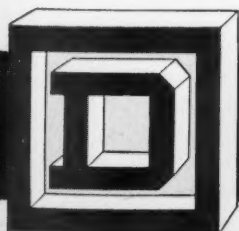
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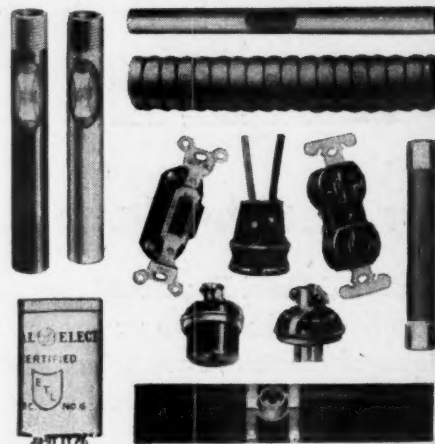
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